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ALLIED LINE INTACT: FINE HEROISM BY ANZAC FORCES

LONDON, APR. 20 (REUTER).—THE ALLIED LINE IN GREECE REMAINS UNBROKEN SAYS A PRESS MINISTRY BROADCAST FROM ATHENS.

WHILE THE ALLIED LINE HAS BEEN MODIFIED AT SOME POINTS ON THE DEFENDERS OWN INITIATIVE THE LINE CONTINUES FIRM.

THE GERMANS ARE PERSISTENTLY ATTACKING FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE GREEK AND BRITISH FRONTS BUT "ALL THEIR VIOLENT EFFORTS TO FORCE A FINAL AND IMMEDIATE DECISION HAVE FAILED."

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits for U-boat service and Mr Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much."

Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of both the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy; but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but I assure you that neither U-boats nor German long-range aircraft have it all their own way," he said. "We continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the co-operation of the Navy with the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won."

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers.

"The amazing thing is that the Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr Alexander said.

Conservative Estimates

He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundred U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are 'nearly always on the conservative side.'"

Speaking of the ten Coast Guard cutters America had sent to Britain, the First Lord said: "Believe me, they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in protecting our convoys."

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The Germans are bringing up more and more reinforcements of mechanised units, infantry and aircraft, but despite all these efforts the British and Greeks are fighting like lions and still hold their lines, says a Greek Press Ministry bulletin. Advancing in waves, the Germans attempted to secure at all costs the passes in the Kalabaka area but they failed and paid dearly in casualties for their failure.

In the Olympus area the Germans continued to sacrifice their soldiers in thousands without being able to break through.

The heroic exploits of the Australians and New Zealanders are weaving new legends about Mount Olympus.

SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The situation in the Balkans is still regarded here as serious.

Mount Olympus, on the right flank of the Allied line, was evacuated by the British troops before the Nazis took it, according to well-informed quarters in Cairo.

The operation was part of the British retirement to a shorter line, which is proceeding to plan under a heavy air and mechanised action.

Despite terrific casualties, the Germans continue to hurl masses of troops into the battle.

ABYSSINIA SITUATION

Selassie Returning To His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Alemata area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers afire.

Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country.

Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

LATEST

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Further Late News

Greek King To Lead His People

Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being."

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence."

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices."

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SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).

The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haimen after very bitter fighting.

Japanese In Ningpo

SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 Junks loaded with Chinese troops withdraw from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

Spanish Cabinet Convened

MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Senor Sener made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the important diplomatic happenings of the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalangist newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions.

"Arguments alien to the only foreign policy to which our destiny lies cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

Magyars Release Croats

BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of Yugo-Slav war prisoners of Croat nationality, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and convoying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



BULGARS GUARD GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugo-Slavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrad southward to Edeghach on the Aegean Sea.

In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier: in the northwest, the advance will be to the River Moravia.

The Germans emphasise that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

INDIANS AT TOBRUK

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Indian mechanised troops are among the British forces defending Tobruk, well-informed circles revealed to-day.

The Indians have been taking part in the fighting in the Western Desert and have been in action in the west around Gebel and Akhdar.

There was no indication to-day of any change in the situation of the Axis forces in Libya.

HITLER HAS A BIRTHDAY

Rome's Left-Handed Compliment

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Hitler spent his birthday (52nd) to-day at his headquarters, presumably somewhere in south-eastern Europe.

After celebrations in the morning, he "resumed his work at 1 p.m.," according to the German wireless.

Field Marshal Walter von Brauchitsch, C-in-C of the German Army, in a Hitler birthday Order of the Day to the troops, declared: "Trusting in the Fuehrer and confident of victory, we shall beat the last enemy."

This order was read over the German radio.

Admiral Raeder, C-in-C of the Nazi Navy, also issued an order expressing himself confident of victory in the "final struggle against a powerful enemy."

Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history, but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr Quo Tal-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London by way of the United States.

Dr Quo Tal-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain.

After conferring with Dr Quo Tal-chi, Dr Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.

R.A.F. Make North Africa Uncomfortable For Enemy

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers and fighters inflicted heavy casualties and damage on enemy personnel and material in Tripolitania as well as in Cirenaica during yesterday and the previous night, according to an R.A.F. communique.

Enemy motor transport was destroyed in numerous localities, including Acroma, El Adem, Bardia and Monastir.

A number of enemy aircraft were bombed and damaged at Derna aerodrome and the Berka airport was also raided.

Fighters carried out continuous offensive patrols and inflicted heavy casualties on motorised troops; they machine-gunned Gazala aerodrome, where they destroyed one Savoia

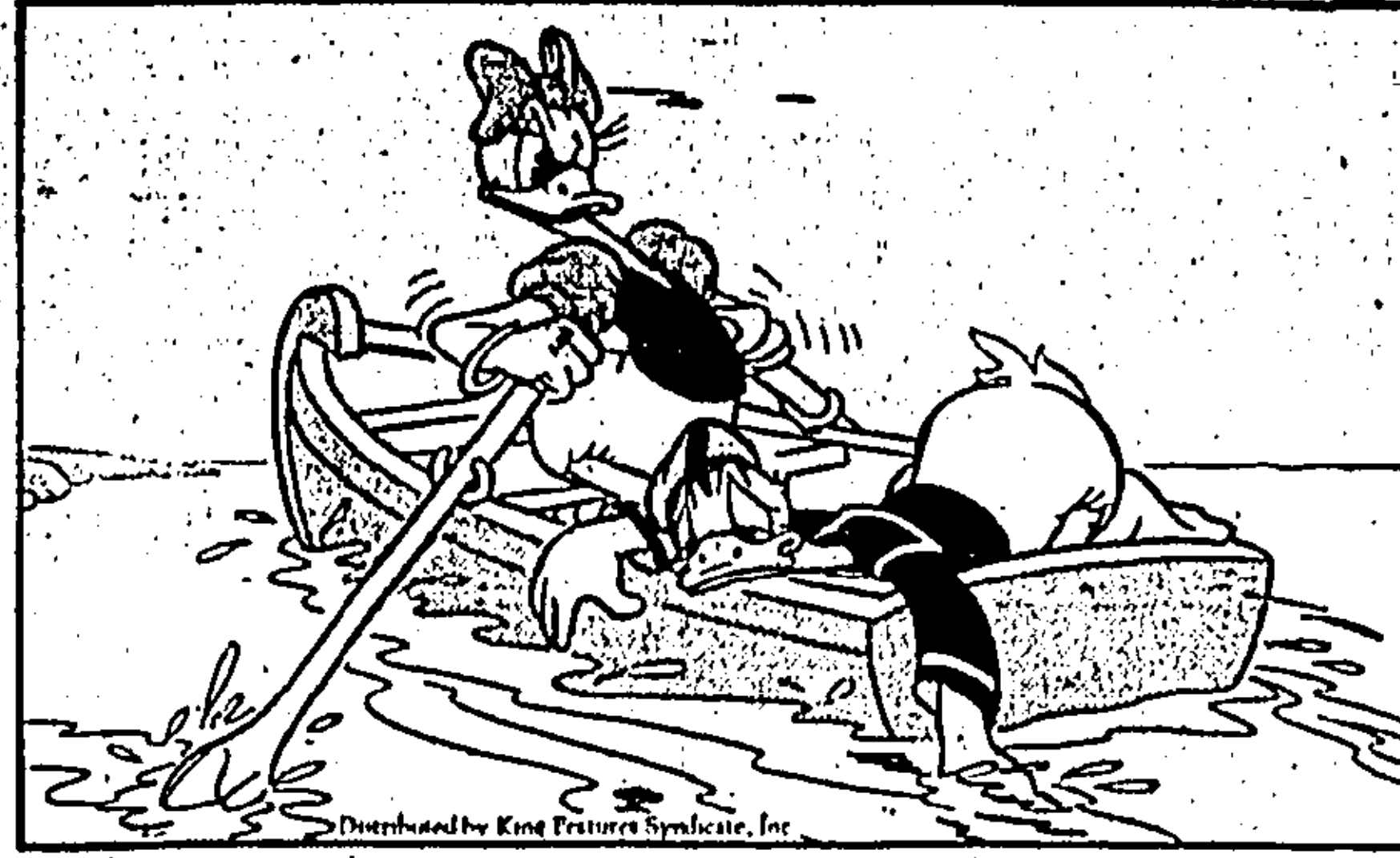
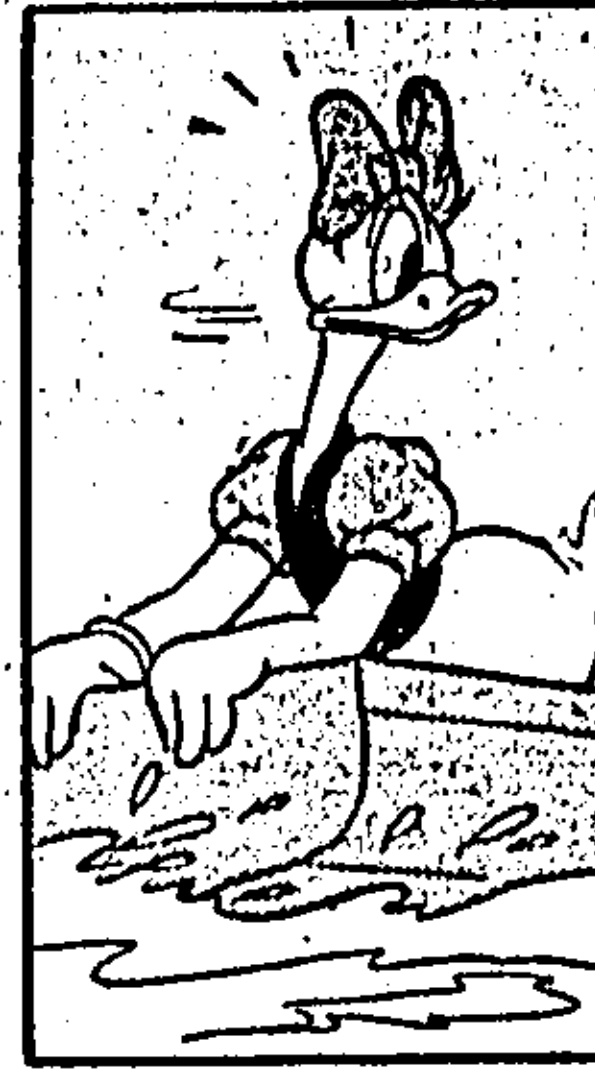
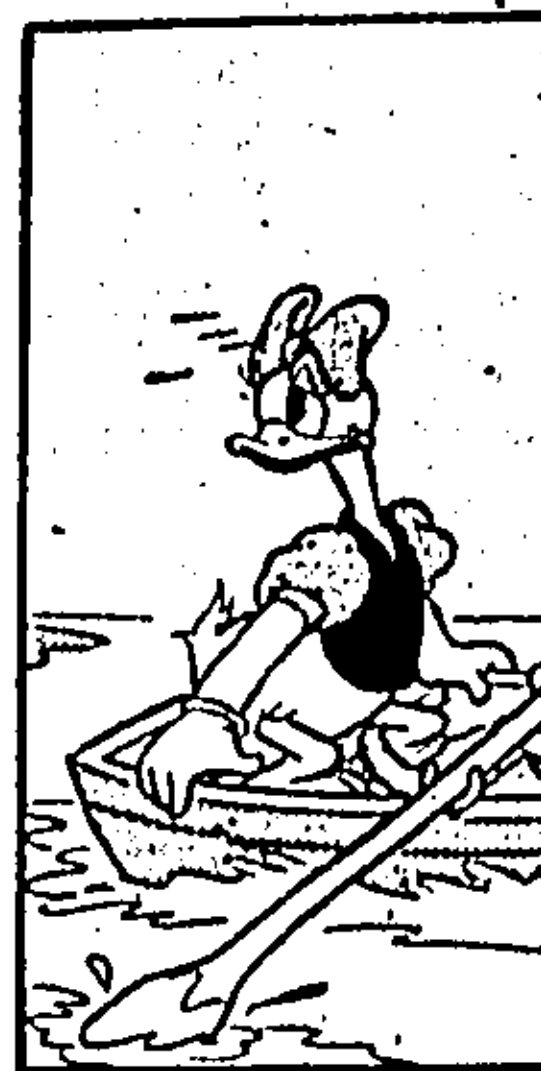
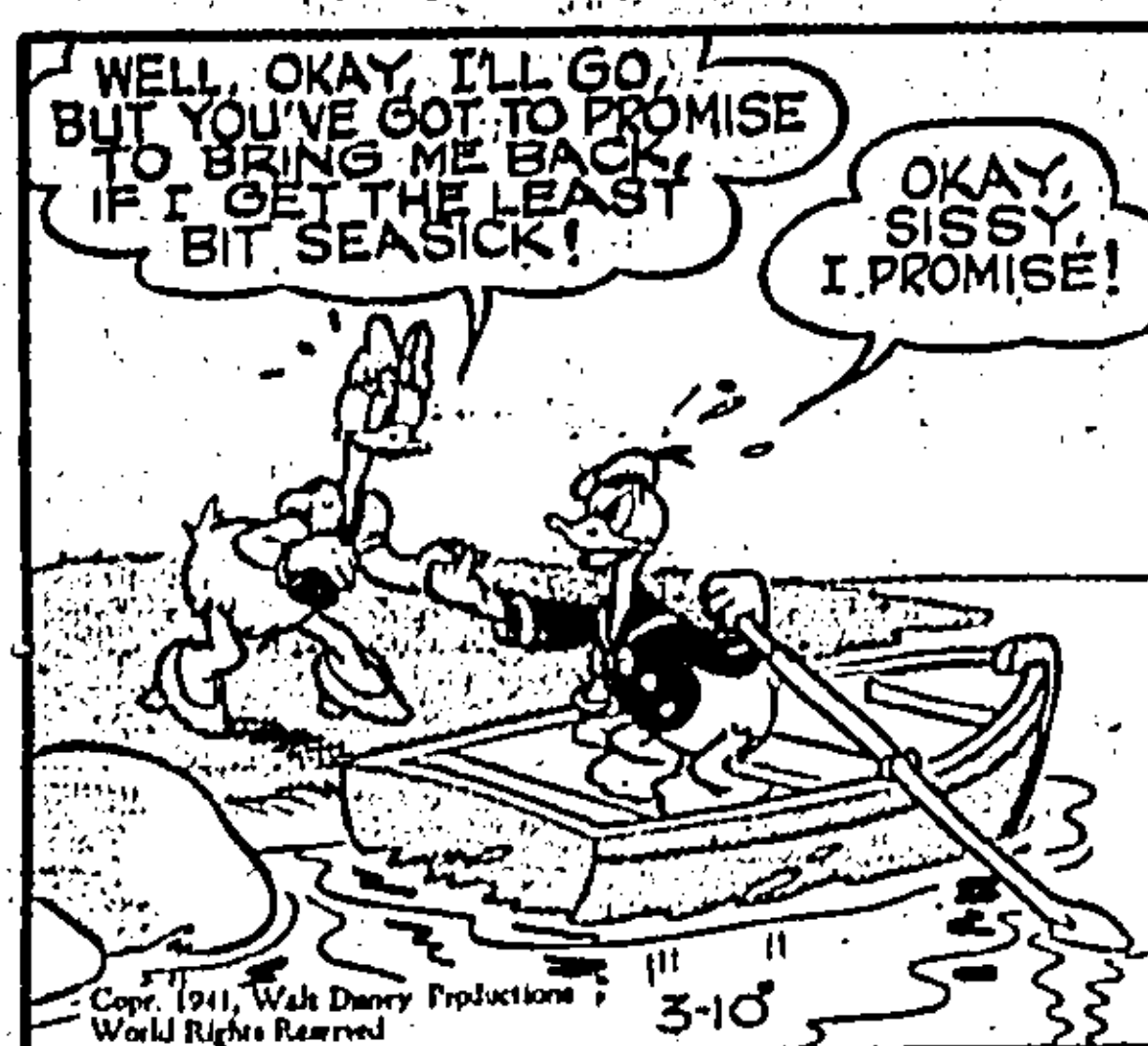
bomber and damaged a number of Fiat Fighters on the ground.

Two Messerschmitt fighters were shot down over Gazala.

Junkers dive-bombers which raided Tobruk were engaged by British fighters and one was shot down and others were damaged.

During the night of April 18, R.A.F. bombers raided Benghazi, obtaining direct hits on a ship and starting fires on the quays. On the same night, Tripoli was heavily raided and about 15 tons of bombs were dropped.

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'School-Tie' Colonel Dismissed

COLONEL R. C. BINGHAM (Old Etonian), who wrote to "The Times" recently suggesting that only public school men were proving fit to receive Army commissions, has been dismissed from his post.

Capt. Margesson (Old Harrovian), the new Secretary for War, announced this in the House of Commons.

The colonel, he said, had committed a breach of King's Regulations, and an expression of the Army Council's severe displeasure has been conveyed to him. That disposed of the disciplinary side of the matter.

Not Suitable

In addition, he had decided that this officer was no longer suitable for the command of an officer cadet training unit, and he had given instructions for him to be relieved of his command.

Cheers from all parts of the House greeted this decision.

Brig-Gen. Sir Ernest Maitland, Tory, M.P. for Knutsford (Old Wykehamist), suggested there was a parallel with a story by H. H. Munro, which described the very unfortunate results to a woman who set to tell the truth.

Captain Margesson did not reply.

Earl's Grandson

F. G. H. Salisbury, "Daily Herald" War Correspondent, writes: The dismissed officer is a lieutenant-colonel of the Coldstream Guards, in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers.

The normal procedure now would be for him to return to his regimental depot, pending further employment.

The War Minister's announcement, however, complicates the question of finding him a position suitable to his rank.

It may be presumed that for the time being he will remain unemployed.

Lieut-Colonel Bingham, who is 55, is a grandson of the 4th Earl of Lucan.

His Letter

His letter to "The Times" stated: "Our new armies are being officered by classes of society who are new to the job. The middle, lower-middle, and working-classes are now receiving the King's Commission."

"These classes, unlike the old aristocratic and feudal (almost) classes who led the old army, have never had 'their people' to consider. They have never had anyone to think of but themselves."

"This aspect of life is completely new to them, and they have very largely fallen down on it in their capacity as army officers."

Colonel Bingham also stated, "Never was the old school tie and the best that it stands for more justified than it is to-day."

CHINA AIR ROUTES

Peking, Apr. 18.
The China Aviation Corporation (a Japanese controlled organisation) beginning June 1 is opening three new air routes: linking Peking with Yenching in southern Shansi; Swallow with Canton and Peking and Tientsin with Tientsin—Domei.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
B. ALVES,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,
Manager and Secretary.
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

NOTICE

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Honour For Mdm. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek recently was presented with the blue triangle pin at the American Y.W.C.A. becoming the third woman in the world to receive the honour.

The presentation was made by Miss Lilian K. Haas, secretary of the Y.W.C.A. National Board for China, and was made in the presence of the Generalissimo, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and many important Government officials and their wives.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States and Queen Elizabeth of England are the two other recipients of the pin.

Miss Haas, in presenting the pin, said that the "three triangles represent three Democracies—China, Britain and America."

EMIGRANTS FROM COLONY
The number of Chinese emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.



The Misses Maureen Booker, Rachel Smith, Pamela Fritchard, Betty Richards, Betty Longbottom and Cynthia Sanh, who will appear in "Pure and Simple," an attractive revue organised by the H.K.V.A.D. in aid of the British bombed areas. The show will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday and Saturday next.

Billion in French Gold Stored in Martinique

VICHY, April 20 (UP).—The entire gold reserve of the Bank of France, estimated at \$1,000,000,000 (U.S.), has been transferred safely to Martinique aboard the French cruiser Emile Bertin, it is announced here.

The French cruiser narrowly escaped seizure last June when British authorities learned that Marshal Petain had asked a separate armistice, it was said.

The gold is now said to be buried in the mountain-top fortress of Desaix, at Fort de France, in 14,000 sacks under a slab of concrete and protected by naval guns from the old battleship Jules Ferry, which can fire 23 miles to sea.

More than eight months after the transfer, it was disclosed for the first time here that the gold had left France.

When the war began, the Bank of France decentralised its gold and hid it in secret places in the provinces. When the Somme line broke, and it became apparent that nothing would stop the Germans, the gold was gathered at vaults at Le Puy, in the volcanic fastnesses of the Auvergne central highlands.

Gold Moved

The day the German armies crossed the Seine at Vernon, bank officials decided to move the gold to America secretly. Fourteen sacks, each containing 120 pounds of gold worth 40,000,000 francs, were removed hastily from the vaults of the Bank of France at Le Puy. The German armies on the same day were crossing the Seine at Vernon.

There was a wild race to Brest with the gold sacks. On June 12 the whole stock was embarked on the cruiser Emile Bertin, in charge of Commander Battet, who was given sealed orders. Watchers knew that if the cruiser turned north the gold was going to Britain, if it turned south the gold was bound for Dakar, Africa. But it went straight west of 30 knots and on June 18 arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Veteran Company

All members of the Veteran Company, H.K.V.D.C. will commence training at Murray Barracks, Garden Road, Victoria, to-day, April 21, at 5.15 p.m.

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The function was a big success, a buffet supper being served at midnight and dancing continuing till the early hours, the music being provided by the Middlesex Regiment Dance Band.

Divisional Warden H. R. Sequerra received the guests. Among those who attended were Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen, A.R.P. Aide-de-Camp to the Governor, Mr. M. L. Bevan, Mr. Ho Kam-tong, Mr. Tee Ka-po, Major C. Champ-Kin, Capt. C. de Sallie Robertson, Mr. Ernest Manning, Mr. G. A. Penreath, Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rumbold, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baptista, Miss Priscilla Ho, the Misses Grant, Mr. A. E. M. Rafeek, Mr. George Sun and Miss Lorna Mok.

At supper, Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, in a brief speech, congratulated the Upper Levels Division for their initiative in arranging the dance, which he said was the first function of its kind since the inauguration of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens. The object of such a function, he said, was to bring all members of the Corps closer together.

He expressed thanks to the Committee of the Club Lusitano for allowing the use of their Club, and to Mr. Baptista for the fine decorations in the ballroom.

Play's Record Run On Broadway

"Tobacco Road," the grim and sordid drama of the Georgian Hills, which broke all records for length of run on Broadway, is now in its eighth year.

The previous Broadway record was held by "Abie's Irish Rose," with 2,317 performances.

In London the Lord Chamberlain refused a licence to "Tobacco Road," and it was performed in private at the Gate Theatre Studio.

Arctic Is Boring Nazis To Death

HUNDREDS of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalided home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced recently, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom, and it sometimes leads to violent lunacy.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is becoming so seriously affected that Hitler has ordered the expenditure of millions of pounds on German "soldiers' homes," to be established everywhere between the "North Cape and the Bay of Biscay."

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

Y.M.C.A. VETERAN

Mr B. W. Smith Leaving Shanghai After 26 Years

The Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A. and the Navy Y.M.C.A. District Executive Secretary, Mr B. W. Smith is sailing for home in the President Pierce on May 3.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Body of Moslem law
6—Dessert
11—Widow
13—Capable of being
14—Small bird
15—Part of rapier
16—Legal declaration
17—Providing
18—Waters
22—Southern State (abbr.)
23—Upper stories
24—Small mound
25—Appellations
26—Three spot
27—Files
31—State with horns
32—Odd of riches
34—Points opposite
35—Smith
36—Circuit
37—Drumheads
38—Hos
39—Framed by teeth
40—Airplane
41—Long for
42—Marriage
43—Wine sediment
44—Through
45—Ship syllable
46—Monotony
47—Maltreated
48—With wide-open
49—South
50—Behold
51—Sunburn

DOWN

1—Standard clothing
2—Permit
3—Printer's measure
4—Morning
5—Merry
7—Stratagem
8—Ornament
9—Voice of scale
10—Flow out
12—Deaf traders
13—Titled
14—Poraging ant
15—To fear
16—Delete
17—At one
18—Science of words
19—Pertaining to
20—Cave
21—Repetant
22—Indian black-buck
23—Cut
24—Brought forth young
25—Burnt in marks
26—Colony of words
27—Mine entrances
28—Sound in sleep
29—Tree
30—Beverage
31—Went to right
32—Nothing
33—Agitate air
34—Greek letter
35—Italian river

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Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April ... Apr. 21.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 10th April ... Apr. 20.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, Apr. 21
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K. P. O.
Reg. April 21, 5 p.m.
Ord. April 21, 5.30 p.m.

G. P. O.
Reg. April 21, 5 p.m.
Ord. April 21, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 25
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 25, 4 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 25, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 20
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 20, 5 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 20, 5.30 p.m.

Chain Gang Fugitive May Go Back

THE man who wrote "I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang," Robert E. Burns is to go back to Georgia, U.S.A., to stand his trial on a charge of being a fugitive from the chain gang, according to a report from Atlanta, (Georgia).

Burns has been living in New Jersey for some years since the success of his film and his famous book, and the authorities there refused to extradite him until yesterday.

He had been given a six-year sentence for theft, until he escaped, and in his book he describes the whipping of prisoners and their confinement in sweat boxes and in stocks.

He tells how he managed to escape, only to be caught. He escaped again, and this time remained at liberty.

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A MORAL DEFEAT

DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventually is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

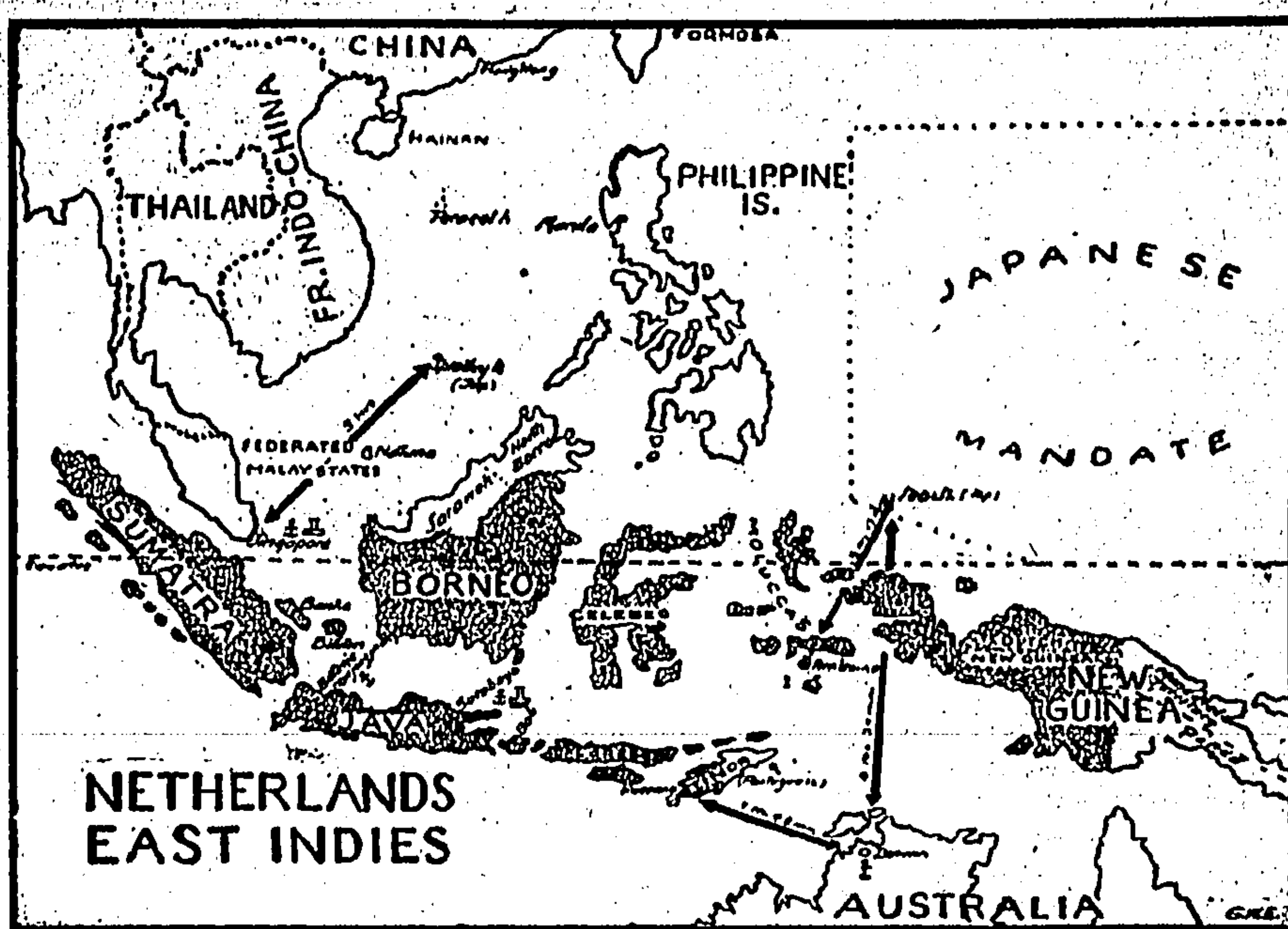
London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He has a war which he tried to avoid. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece, said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Cretania and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help.

The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfil orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

"Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country they simply walked in.

Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war."

The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the other party."

Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big arms purchases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Flying-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boats bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya—(M.L.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting native Militia if sufficient instructors and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Amboyna are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for harassing an invader and protecting the trade routes, and the fighting qualities of the Dutch seamen would be more than a match for the Japanese in equal combat. In circumstances of numerical inferiority the Indies Navy must depend to a large extent on its submarine fleet (the size of which is surprising) and its destroyers. Attention is being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

Plans are based on the unexpected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. Munitions have been built up and local industries are turning out shells and bombs, small arms ammunition, and mines. The Indies do not, however, think that they will have to stand alone in a crisis.

Dutch and British

JAPANESE emphasis on the status quo has probably been the main factor in preventing any formal Anglo-Dutch alliance in the Far East with arrangements for the joint defence of the Indies and British Malaya, but it is difficult to find anyone in the N.I. to-day who does not think that Britain and the Netherlands would stand together in the event of a challenge to either in the Far East. Although there may be no staff conversations on the spot, it cannot be overlooked that Dutch naval and military officers are in close touch with the British defence ministries in London.

British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaysia, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and when American warships and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya—(M.L.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

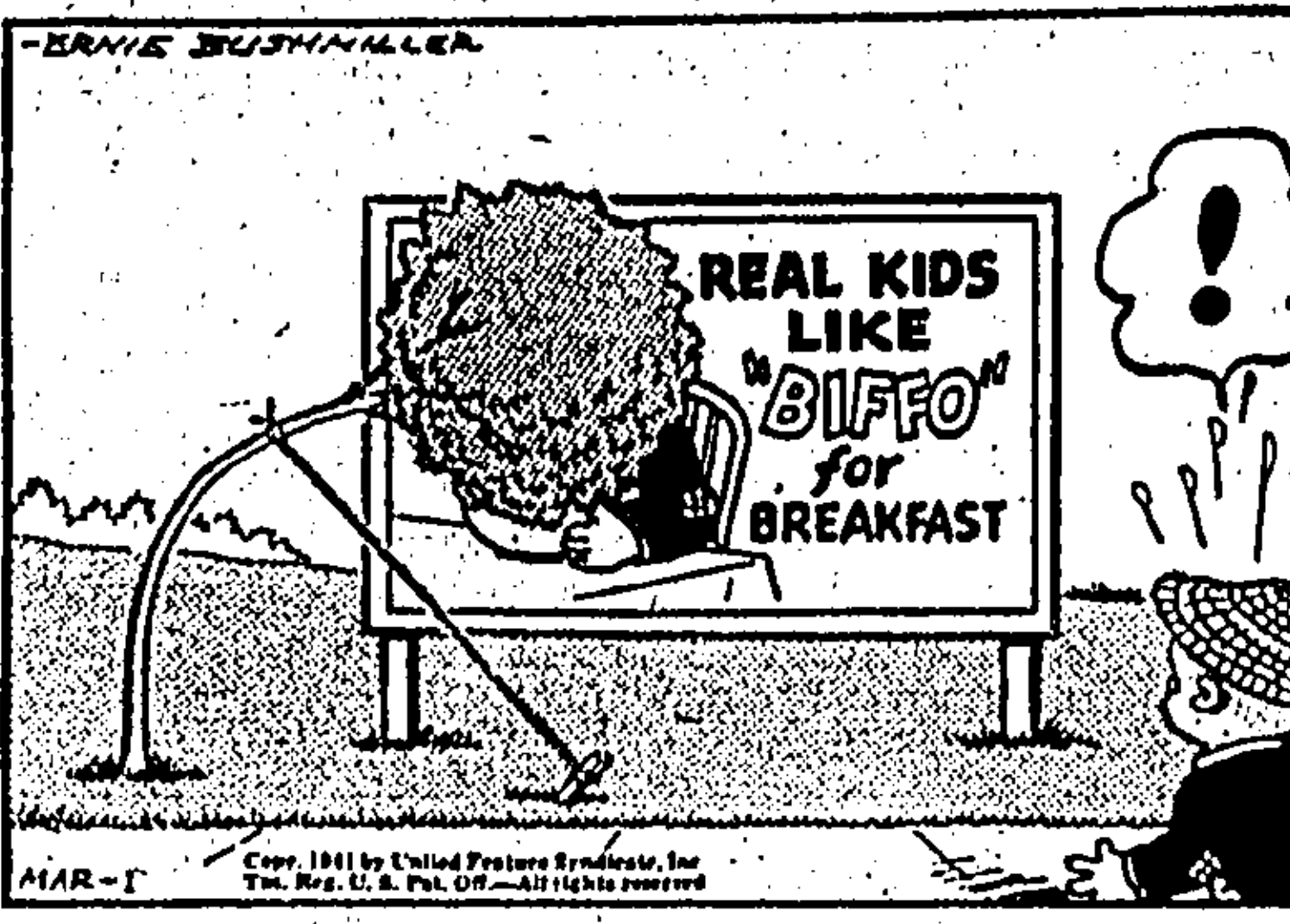
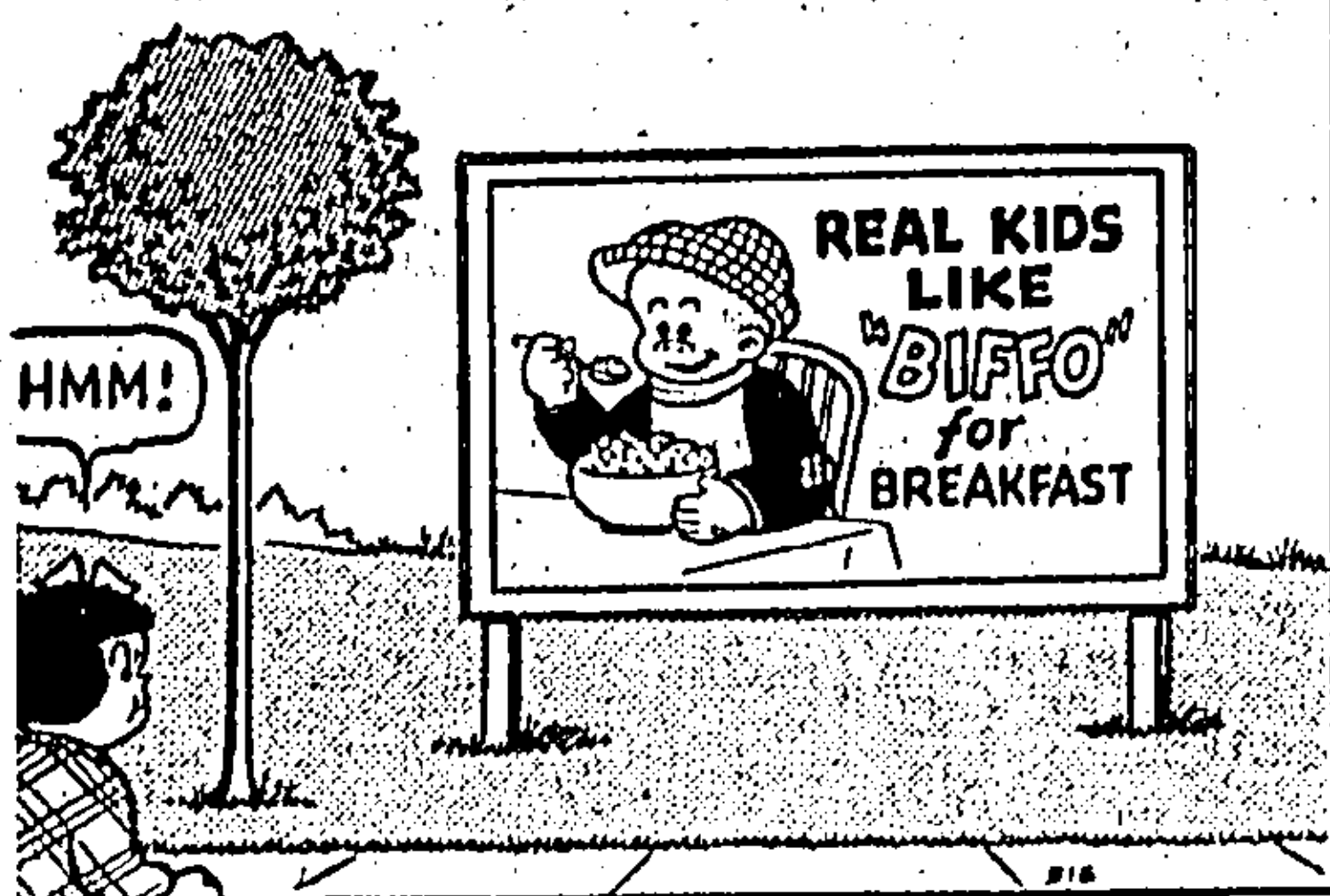


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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Auxiliary Fire Corps Reports On Progress

A marked increase in the personnel of the Auxiliary Fire Service was revealed by Mr. D. H. Blake, Superintendent, in his review of the activities of the Corps at the second annual dinner at the Hotel Cecil on Saturday night.

Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, paid a tribute to the men of the A.F.S. and said that, if Hongkong were hit by a bombing from the air, he felt sure that the A.F.S. here would be equal in courage and heroism to their comrades in Europe and China.

Those present included Messrs C. G. Perdue (Deputy Commissioner of Police and former Acting Officer of the Fire Brigade), T. O. To, R. A. Wickerson, Harold Chan, J. S. Howell, B. J. Lacon, H. K. Lee, O. Eager, A. I. Cosh, W. M. Smith, Chan Mok-woong, Luke O'wan, Major C. M. Manners and Comdr J. Petrie, H. K. N. V. F.

After dinner, a collection was taken for the Bomber Fund.

It was announced that the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. and the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. were generously donating trophies for competition among members of the A.F.S.

Mr. D. H. Blake, the Superintendent, said:

"The Auxiliary Fire Service came into being early in 1939, and we have seen sufficient to convince us that they are now a very healthy and virile body of men, 600 strong. The value of the A.F.S. in war-time is obvious, and from the various reports of the gallant and excellent work performed at home, there can be no question that they are the greatest possible asset to the Empire. They have already proved their worth in the Colony in connection with the fire on board the P. and O. 'Nagpore,' and again in connection with the Kwong Sang Hong fire and timber yard fire."

New Trailer Pumps

"In Hongkong the Government have obtained over 40 trailer pumps which are, as you know, light fire engines and can be towed by lorries or motor cars, making this equipment extremely mobile and capable of being man-handled up narrow lanes or placed upon crabs in the harbour for vessels afloat."

"As I understand it, the present scheme is for the pumps to be distributed at different posts throughout the populous districts of Hongkong and Kowloon, and other pumps will patrol the main thoroughfares to pick up any fires that are not reported by telephone. As unfortunately we have so many narrow roads and alleyways, this light and mobile equipment should prove of great value."

A.R.P. Pay To Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,769,401.33 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

Peak Division	\$300
G. T. A. (in memory of Terry Elliott)	10
Lionel Evening (eleventh donation)	10
P. S. S. Chicken Feed (weekly donation)	40.20
Mr & Mrs J. T. Buxton (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	10
Miss M. Matheson (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	5
Mr M. G. Carruthers (monthly donation)	15

RELIEF OF DISTRESS

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation acknowledges the following subscriptions to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China:

Previously acknowledged	\$736,324.13
Police Headquarters (being net proceeds of Hongkong Police & Police Reserve Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on February 11, 1941)	1,850.00
The Sports Club	500.00
Total	\$738,674.13

INTER-POST COMPETITION

The "A" District of the Tsimshatsui A.R.P. Division held its inter-post competition yesterday when Divisional Warden J. Moodie's Shield was won by the combined Nos 3 and 4 Posts under A. B. da Sousa and D. A. Alonso respectively.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession

12.30 Jay Wilbur and His Band

1.0 Local Time Signal

1.01 The Orchestra Mascotte with Yvonne Printemps (Soprano)

From Near and Far—Waltz Melodies, Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Straus), "C'est la Saison d'Amour," Yvonne Printemps (Soprano), "Te Souviens-tu"

Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney and Orchestra, Valse Bleue (Maurice)

Tosca, Mio—Waltz (Bacchi), Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Straus), "Je ne suis pas ce que l'on pense," Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney & Orch., Lovely to Kiss—Waltz (Dicker), Dance of the Fairies—Waltz (Rosenthal), Orchestra Mascotte

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements

1.45 Variety

Vocal with Orch.—The Lambeth Walk, (from Me and My Girl), Lupino Lane with Teddie St Denis and Company, Piano—Fox-Trot Medley, Intro: Take My Heart; Empty Saddles; It Is True what They Say About Dixie, Waltz Medley, Intro: It's a Sin to Tell a Lie; Would You, Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together, Burlon Brown, Vocal—Let's Call the Whole Thing Off, They Can't Take That Away from Me (both from "Shall We Dance"), Hildegarde with Carroll Gibbons and His Orchestra, Piano—An Evening With You (film "Colleen") (Dubin-Warren), Gerry Moore, Humorous—What The Stars Foretell (Thompson), Sandy Powell, C. B. Cochran Medley, Comper C. B. Cochran assisted by Elizabeth Welch, Edward Cooper and Ray Noble and His Orch.

2.15 Close down

5.45 Indian Programme

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations

6.32 A Debussy Programme

The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr. Gradus ad Parnassum, (b) The Snow is Dancing, (c) Serenade for the Doll, (d) Jumbo's Lullaby, (e) The Little Shepherd, (f) Gollwog's Cake Walk, Walter Gieseking (Piano), La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin), "Dances"—(a) Danse Sacree; (b) Danse Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra

7.0 London Relay—The News

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together"

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Cortet, Thibaud and Casals

8.0 Local Time Signal

8.02 This week's programmes

8.05 Piano Duets by Moreton and Kaye

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I Remember A Man and his Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—The News

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour"

9.30 A Light Orchestral Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor)

International Railroad Express, Polka, Frieda, Jakob Scherbroff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Because I Miss You so, (Clonville & Cones), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Serenade (Hensell), Frederic Hippmann and His Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thinkin' of Mary (Ashby & T. Stern), Bennet, Always As I Close My Eyes (Hendfield-Jones & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only)

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall

10.15 Dance Music with Variety

11.0 Close Down

CONCERT

School Orchestra Plays To Crowded House

Under the auspices of the South China Women's Temperance Union, a concert of classical music was given by the orchestra of the Pui Ching Middle School, formerly of Canton and now of Macao, at the St Paul's Girls School Hall, Kennedy Road, on Saturday, and was well attended. The net proceeds from the sale of tickets are to be donated to aid refugees in China.



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

Three Fleets For U.S. Navy Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganization of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief: Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising all these forces.

Prior to the reorganization order, America's fighting forces afloat consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganization not only gives the Atlantic Force a full fleet status, but provides greater flexibility in organization to all these forces.

Bulk Of Strength

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

Kimmel's Service

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide, when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War and the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Yard at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

Admiral King

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-51 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of flying units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States Fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Oficiale, Order of the Crown of Italy.

Far Eastern Chief

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

Great War. He entered the former hostilities shortly after his graduation from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, serving aboard the battleship Massachusetts and the converted yacht, Vixen and Hist.

Having gained considerable submarine experience with the naval forces in the Pacific, Hart was placed in command of a division of underwater craft when the Great War broke out. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal "for distinguished service afloat in command of submarines engaged in operations against the enemy."

After the war, Hart went to Far Eastern waters and there was given command of a submarine flotilla in the Asiatic fleet. He became commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet in July, 1939. The President's recent order did not affect Hart's rank, but it resulted in certain organizational changes.

Huge Food Bill For U.S. Forces

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—It will cost \$1,000,000 a day to feed American defence forces when they reach their authorized strength of more than 2,000,000 men.

The largest food bill—\$750,000 a day—will be necessary for the 1,500,000 Army men and officers in service by June. The Navy will pay around \$225,000 daily to feed its projected "Two-Ocean" force of 494,500 men, and the Marine Corps will spend about \$43,000 for food when it reaches its authorized strength of 95,000 men.

The average is a little less than 50 cents a day for each man. The Army figures it spends 50 cents a day for rations, while the Navy and Marine Corps spend 40 cents a day for each man.

Bible Printers Suffer Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorized Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 3,555,480 letters, involving 778,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,180 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorized Version," said a director.

"The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses."

"We are hoping we shall find some

Goldilocks Goes Back To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heidrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

Proved He Wasn't

So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters. When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

Officers In Huddle

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. "We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson," said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another.

They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

Building Land Serious Shortage In Urban Areas

Crown Land available for sale in urban districts is becoming so scarce that Government has decided to insist on more intensive development in regard to land required for factory development, said the Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves in an interview on Saturday.

In effect this means that in future higher Building Covenants will be stipulated in the Conditions of Sale of land intended for factory development.

At present many factories consist of one storey buildings and often a large portion of the lot is retained as an open yard.

It is recognised that one storeyed factories requiring considerable yard space must still be catered for, but the intention now is that such concerns must go farther afield where land is more plentiful and cheaper.

LAND RESUMPTIONS

An unusually large number of land resumption notices appeared in Saturday's Gazette, applying to areas near Kowloon City. The Director of Public Works explained that these low lying agricultural lots are being resumed for the purpose of Town Planning development and form only a portion of a comprehensive Scheme.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$70
Union Ins. \$425
Indo-China (Pref) \$80
Wharves \$85.50
Humphreys \$0.80
Trams \$10
Lights "O" \$6
Lights Rts \$0.50 cts
Entertainments \$6.25

Sellers

H.K. Banks \$1,345
Union Ins. \$400
Trams \$16.25
Lights "O" \$8.20
Sales
Hotels \$2.00

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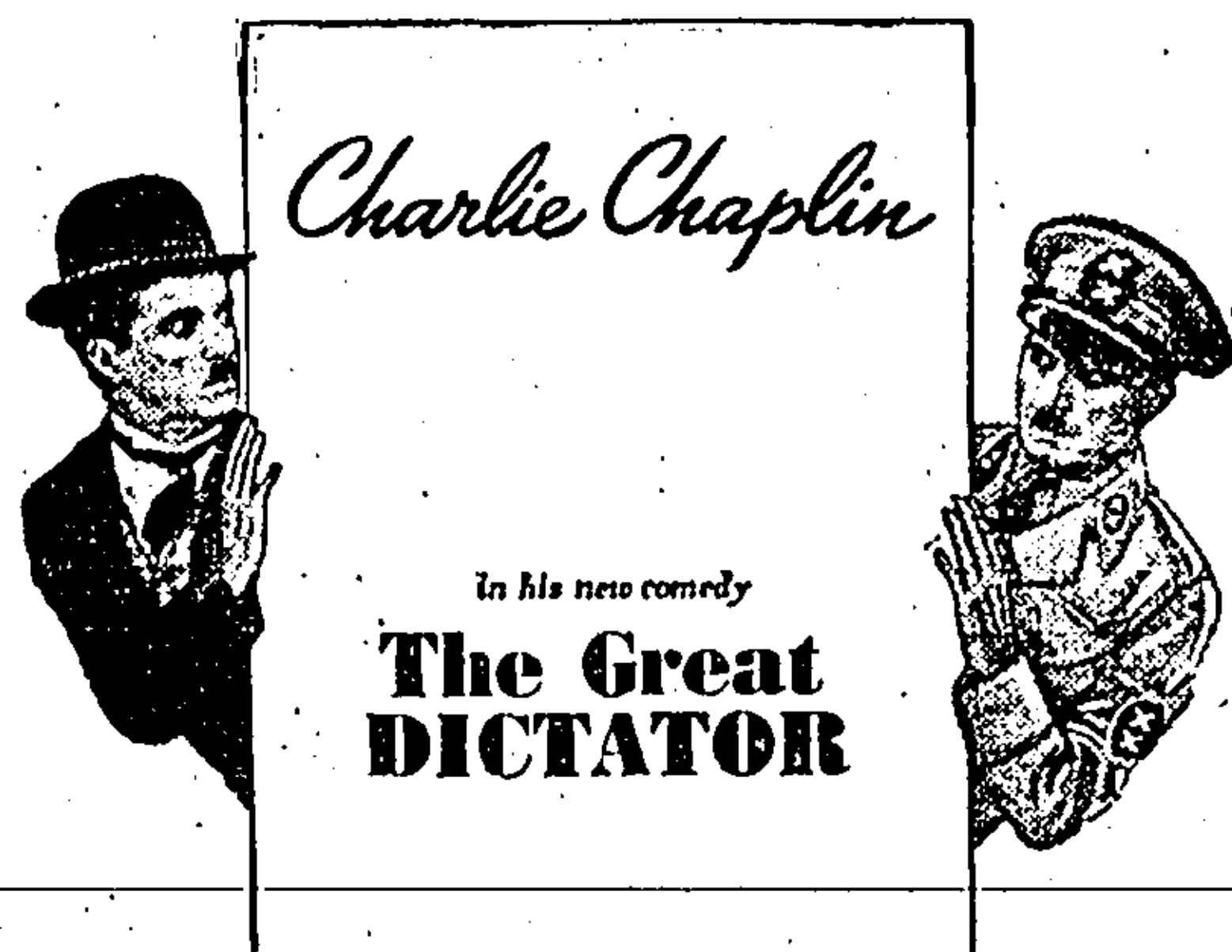


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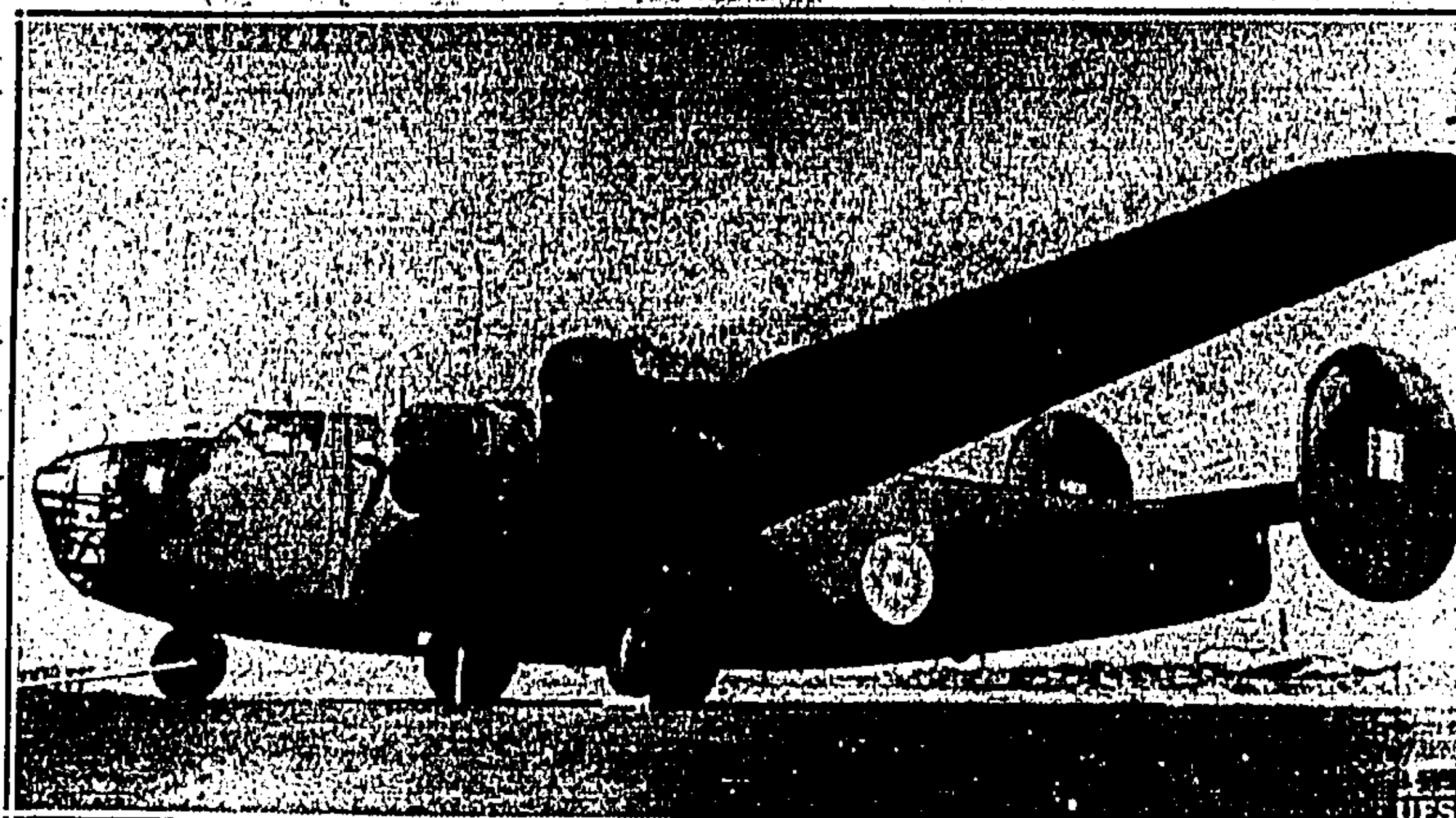
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Morro Castle Disaster

Echo In Court Case

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York has ruled that the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company cannot recover from the Continental Insurance Company of New York \$1,100,000 damages paid by the line to victims' relatives and survivors of the burning of the Morro Castle on Sept. 8, 1934.

Reversing a lower court decision, which had granted the line \$890,000, the higher court held unanimously that the line had violated safety statutes and the terms of its insurance policy in the disaster which cost 129 lives off the New Jersey coast. The ruling charged that the line had failed to provide men and equipment for fighting the fire and abandoning ship.

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

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feeding our convoys and hunting German pirates.

Off Libyan Coast

Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "I see that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely in honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

No Apology

"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it.

Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win."

Be Generous In Battle

Pope Appeals To The Belligerents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to invade the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the best and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

Roosevelt Back Plea For 1,000 U.S. Doctors

HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here.

The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

Hearty Approval

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva.

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.

Greek King To Lead

FROM PAGE ONE

tees, we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country."

"May we go and save Greece."

MALTA RAID

Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junker was shot down into the sea.

From all operations, one of our fighters in missing.

Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning.

Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

Princess Focused Bomb Sights

Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft of the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focused the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time.

At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

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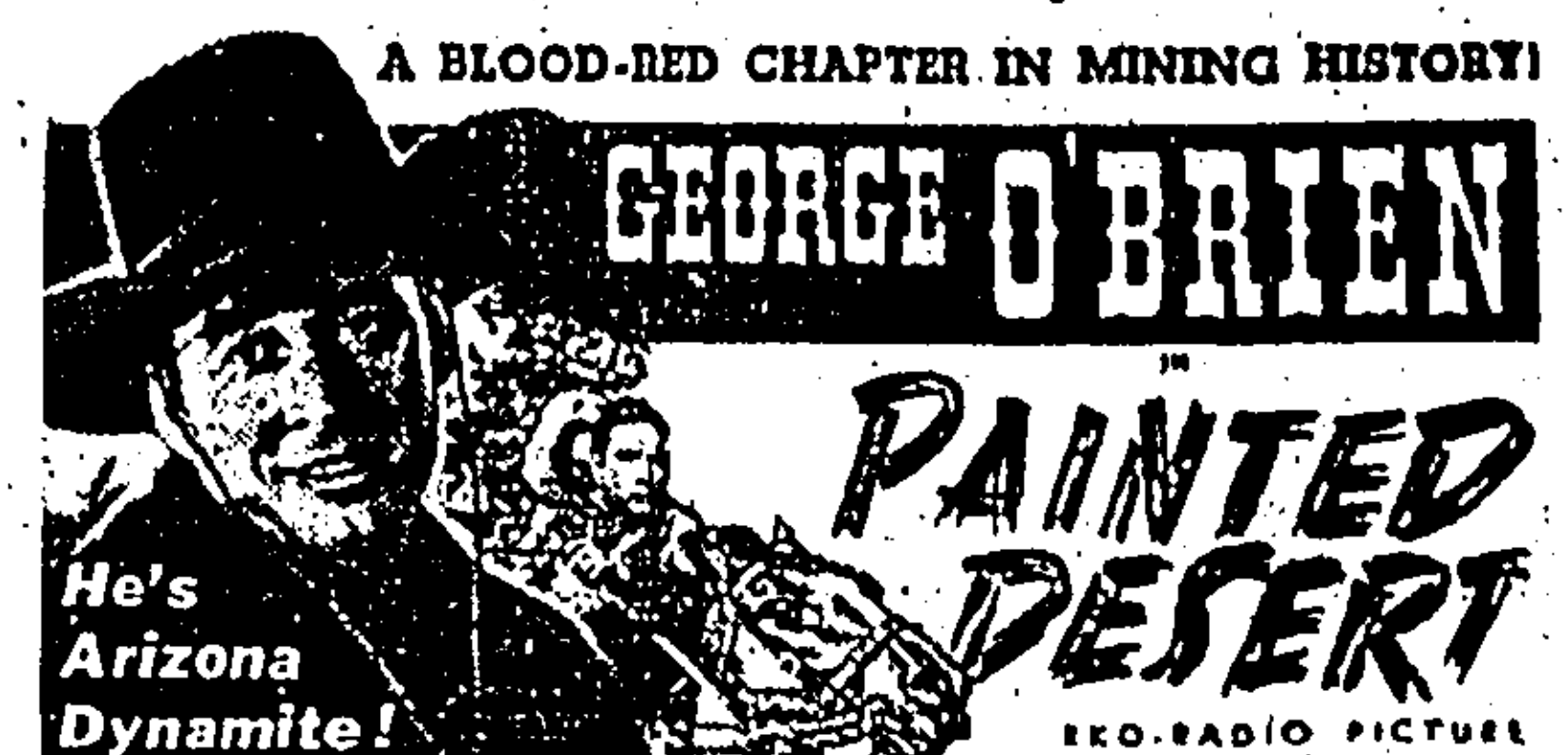


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ALLIED LINE INTACT: FINE HEROISM BY ANZAC FORCES

LONDON, APR. 20 (REUTER).—THE ALLIED LINE IN GREECE REMAINS UNBROKEN SAYS A PRESS MINISTRY BROADCAST FROM ATHENS.

WHILE THE ALLIED LINE HAS BEEN MODIFIED AT SOME POINTS ON THE DEFENDERS OWN INITIATIVE THE LINE CONTINUES FIRM.

THE GERMANS ARE PERSISTENTLY ATTACKING FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE GREEK AND BRITISH FRONTS BUT "ALL THEIR VIOLENT EFFORTS TO FORCE A FINAL AND IMMEDIATE DECISION HAVE FAILED."

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits for U-boat service and Mr Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much."

Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy, but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but I assure you that neither U-boats nor German long-range aircraft have it all their own way," he said. "We continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the co-operation of the Navy with the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won."

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers.

"The amazing thing is that the TURN to Back Page, Column 3

King's eldest daughter on her 15th birthday.

This will easily be Princess Elizabeth's most valuable possession, but she will not be allowed to wear it until she becomes at least 18 years of age, since the Queen only permits her daughter to wear a simple silver wrist watch and a plain engraved brooch.

The Princess will spend her birthday "somewhere in the country" where she has been evacuated since Christmas 1939. It will be the most quiet birthday she has ever spent. The King and Queen hope to tear themselves away from their duties in London to visit her.

Princess Elizabeth 15 To-day

To Receive Priceless
Heirloom

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Princess Elizabeth will receive a priceless Royal Family heirloom to celebrate her 15th birthday on Monday. It is a turquoise and diamond set comprising a necklace, a brooch and bracelets which once belonged to Queen Victoria and which, according to family tradition, passes to the

The Germans are bringing up more and more reinforcements of mechanised units, infantry and aircraft, but despite all these efforts the British and Greeks are fighting like lions and still hold their lines, says a Greek Press Ministry bulletin.

Advancing in waves, the Germans attempted to secure at all costs the passes in the Kalabaka area but they failed and paid dearly in casualties for their failure.

In the Olympus area the Germans continued to sacrifice their soldiers in thousands without being able to break through.

The heroic exploits of the Australians and New Zealanders are weaving new legends about Mount Olympus.

SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The situation in the Balkans is still regarded here as serious.

Mount Olympus, on the right flank of the Allied line, was evacuated by the British troops before the Nazis took it, according to well-informed quarters in Cairo.

The operation was part of the British retirement to a shorter line, which is proceeding to plan under a heavy air and mechanised action.

Despite terrific casualties, the Germans continue to hurl masses of troops into the battle.

ABYSSINIA SITUATION

Selassie Returning To
His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Aloamat area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers afire.

Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country.

Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

Defence Line Intact

SYDNEY, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The Acting Premier, Mr A. W. Fadden, declared that the defence line in Greece is intact.

"Austrian troops are in excellent spirits and have been engaged in heavy fighting and have acquitted themselves with great distinction," Mr Fadden expressed Australia's sympathy with the Greeks in the loss of their Premier, Mr Alexander Korizis.

Great R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In Greece, there was considerable and successful activity by the R. A. F. yesterday and the previous day. German dive-bombers, escorted by fighters, attempting to attack our ground troops and shipping at Khaliss, were intercepted by our fighter patrols.

During the day, without loss to themselves, our fighters shot down three Junkers 87's, two Junkers 88's, four Messerschmitt 109's, one Heinkel 126 and severely damaged many others.

Yesterday several other Savoia 79's were seriously damaged by our fighters over Meles.

Spanish Cabinet Convened

MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Super Suner" made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalangist newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions. "Arguments often to the only foreign policy to which our destiny lies us cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

BULGARIANS IN MACEDONIA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SOFIA, Apr. 20 (UP).—An official communiqué says that Bulgarian troops yesterday began the occupation of the former Bulgarian portions of Macedonia, and have established headquarters at Skopje. Bulgarian troops have reached the town of Zaribar and Piro. The occupation is continuing to plan and the Bulgarian troops have been warmly received everywhere.

New Greek Cabinet Meets

Ministers Named

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The composition of the new Greek Cabinet, presided over by King George of Greece, was announced to-night, states the Athens radio.

The Deputy Prime Minister is Vice-Admiral Alexander Sakellarios, Chief of Naval Staff who will also be Minister for the Navy.

Personnel

Other Ministers are:
War.—General Panagakos.
Air.—General Nicolaidis.
Communications and Railways.—General Korzas.
Foreign Affairs, Finance and National Economy.—Mr Emanuel Undoros.
Public Welfare and Press.—Mr Nikoloudas.
Agriculture and Labour.—Mr Demetrios.
Interior and Public Security.—Mr Maniades.
Education and Justice.—Mr E. Sokeris.
Under-Secretary of State for Shipping.—Mr S. Theophanides.
The new government took the oath at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon and held its first meeting immediately afterwards.

SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).—The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haiamen after very bitter fighting.

Japanese in Ningpo
SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 Junks loaded with Chinese troops withdraw from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

Chinese Reports
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Central News).—Chinese troops are offering
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Nazis Lay Trail Of Death In London & East Anglia

(By "Reuter's" Air Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 20.—Reports filtering through from the dazed villages and small towns in East Anglia and the home counties and from the Thames Estuary districts to-day confirmed that there was a wider path of the German air blitz on London and the neighbourhood on Saturday night even than on Wednesday when many outer suburbs, including the southeast, suffered as heavily as the metropolis.

According to the German High Command, this was another reprisal raid for the R.A.F. attack on Berlin, but from the communiqué in which the raid was given pride of place, the large fires claimed in the Thames bend, the Millwall dock and Greenwich appear to have given the Nazis the most satisfaction.

The Air Ministry stated to-day that the attacks on London were heavy and caused much damage and that the casualties were expected to be "fairly high."

Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and conveying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



BULGARS GUARD GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugo-Slavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrad southward to Edgach on the Aegean Sea.

In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier. In the northwest, the advance will be to the River Moravia.

The Germans emphasise that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

INDIANS AT TOBRUK

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Indian mechanised troops are among the British forces defending Tobruk, well-informed circles revealed to-day.

The Indians have been taking part in the fighting in the Western Desert and have been in action in the west around Gebel and Akhdar. There was no indication to-day of any change in the situation of the Axis forces in Libya.

HITLER HAS A BIRTHDAY

Rome's Left-Handed
Compliment

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Hitler spent his birthday (52nd) to-day at his headquarters, presumably somewhere in south-eastern Europe.

After celebrations in the morning, he "resumed his work at 1 p.m." according to the German wireless.

Field Marshal Walter von Brauchitsch, C-in-C of the German Army, in a Hitler birthday Order of the Day to the troops, declared: "Trusting in the Fuehrer and confident of victory, we shall beat the last enemy."

This order was read over the German radio.
Admiral Raeder, C-in-C of the Nazi Navy, also issued an order expressing himself confident of victory in the "final struggle against a powerful enemy."

Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history, but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr Quo Tui-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London, by way of the United States.

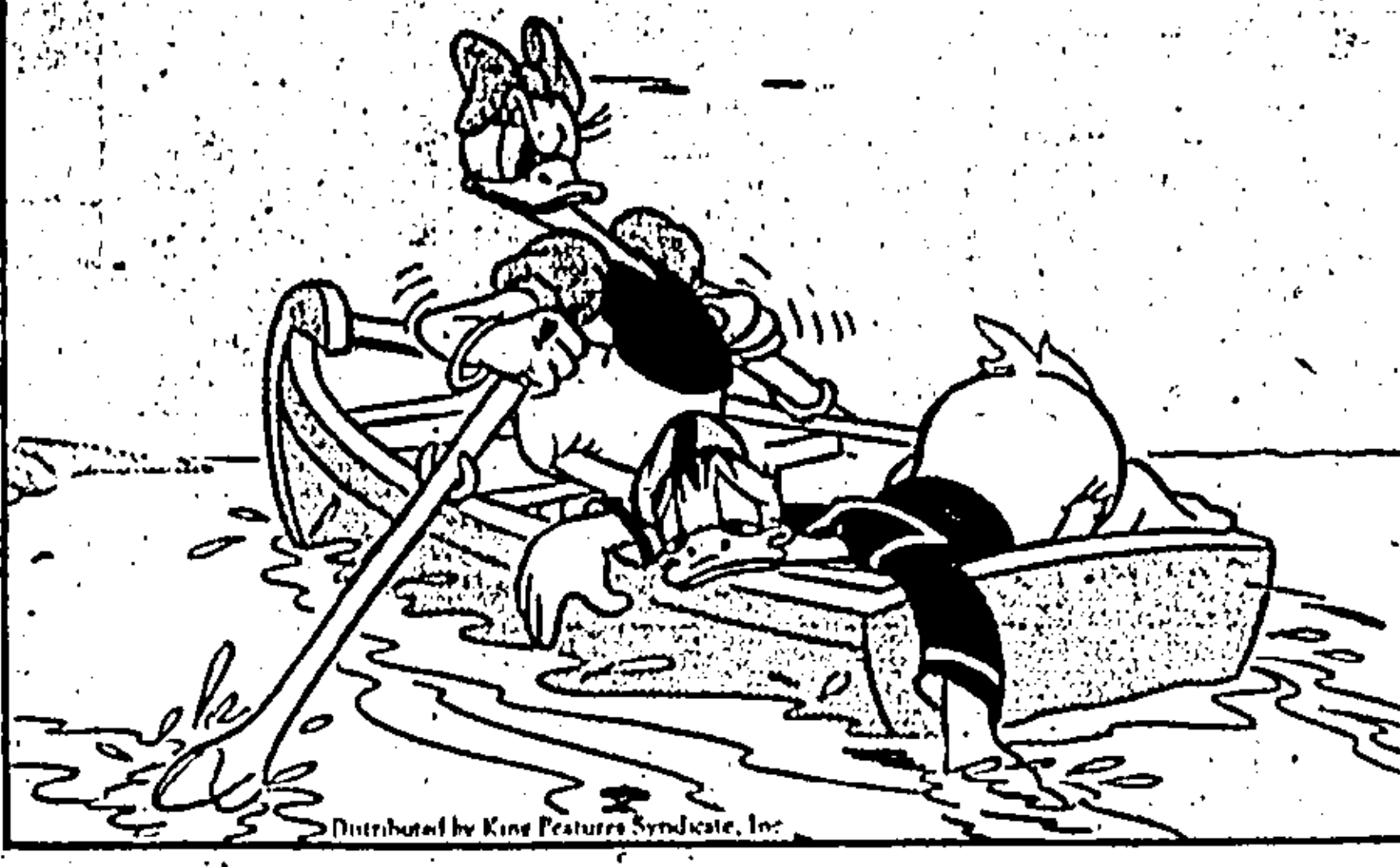
Dr Quo Tui-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain.

After conferring with Dr Quo Tui-chi, Dr Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.

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'School-Tie' Colonel Dismissed

COLONEL R. C. BINGHAM (Old Etonian), who wrote to "The Times" recently suggesting that only public school men were proving fit to receive Army commissions, has been dismissed from his post.

Capt. Margesson (Old Harrobian), the new Secretary for War, announced this in the House of Commons.

The colonel, he said, had committed a breach of King's Regulations, and an expression of the Army Council's severe displeasure has been conveyed to him. That disposed of the disciplinary side of the matter.

Not Suitable

In addition, he had decided that this officer was no longer suitable for the command of an officer cadet training unit, and he had given instructions for him to be relieved of his command.

Cheers from all parts of the House greeted this decision. Sir Ernest Marples, Tory M.P. for Knutsford (Old Wykehamist), suggested there was a parallel with a story by H. H. Munro, which described the very unfortunate results to a woman who set to tell the truth.

Captain Margesson did not reply.

Earl's Grandson

F. G. H. Stansbury, "Daily Herald" War Correspondent, writes: The dismissed officer is a lieutenant-colonel of the Coldstream Guards, in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers.

The normal procedure now would be for him to return to his regimental depot, pending further employment.

The War Minister's announcement, however, complicates the question of finding him a position suitable to his rank.

It may be presumed that for the time being he will remain unemployed.

Lieut-Colonel Bingham, who is 55, is a grandson of the 4th Earl of Lucan.

His Letter

His letter to "The Times" stated: "Our new armies are being officered by classes of society who are new to the job. The middle, lower-middle, and working-classes are now receiving the King's Commission. These classes, unlike the old aristocratic and feudal (almost) classes who led the old army, have never had their people to consider. They have never had anyone to think of but themselves."

"This aspect of life is completely new to them, and they have very largely fallen down on it in their capacity as army officers," Colonel Bingham also stated, "Never was the old school tie and the best that it stands for, more justified than it is to-day."

CHINA AIR ROUTES

Peking, Apr. 18.
The China Aviation Corporation (a Japanese controlled organization) beginning June 1 is opening three new air routes, linking Peking with Yenching in southern Shansi, Szechwan, Canton, and Peking, and Peking with Tientsin-Donghai.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. George's Building, Charter Road, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1941, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1940, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

B. ALVES,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,

Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

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Honour For Mdm. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek recently was presented with the blue triangle pin of the American Y.W.C.A. becoming the third woman in the world to receive the honour.

The presentation was made by Miss Lilian K. Haas, secretary of the Y.W.C.A. National Board for China, and was made in the presence of the Generalissimo, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and many important Government officials and their wives.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States and Queen Elizabeth of England are the two other recipients of the pin.

Miss Haas, in presenting the pin, said that the "three triangles represent three Democracies—China, Britain and America."

EMIGRANTS FROM COLONY

The number of Chinese emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.



The Misses Maureen Booker, Rachel Smith, Pamela Pritchard, Betty Richards, Betty Longbottom and Cynthia Sanli, who will appear in "Pure and Simple," an attractive revue organised by the H.K.V.A.D. in aid of the British bombed areas. The show will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday and Saturday next.

Billion in French Gold Stored in Martinique

VICHY, April 20 (UP).—The entire gold reserve of the Bank of France, estimated at \$1,000,000,000 (U.S.), has been transferred safely to Martinique aboard the French cruiser Emile Bertin, it is announced here.

The French cruiser narrowly escaped seizure last June when British authorities learned that Marshal Petain had asked a separate armistice, it was said.

The gold is now said to be buried in the mountain-top fortress of Desaix, at Fort de France, in 14,000 sacks under a slab of concrete and protected by naval guns from the old battleship Jules Ferry, which can fire 23 miles to sea.

More than eight months after the transfer, it was disclosed for the first time here that the gold had left France.

When the war began, the Bank of France decentralised its gold and hid it in secret places in the provinces. When the Somme line broke, and it became apparent that nothing would stop the Germans, the gold was gathered at vaults at Le Puy, in the volcanic fastnesses of the Auvergne central highlands.

Gold Moved

The day the German armies crossed the Sene at Vernon, bank officials decided to move the gold to America secretly. Fourteen sacks, each containing 120 pounds of gold worth 40,000,000,000 francs, were removed hastily from the vaults of the Bank of France at Le Puy. The German armies on the same day were crossing the Seine at Vernon.

There was a wild race to Brest with the gold sacks. On June 12 the whole stock was embarked on the cruiser Emile Bertin, in charge of Commander Battet, who was given sealed orders. Watchers knew that if the cruiser turned north the gold was going to Britain, it turned south the gold was bound for Dakar, Africa. But it went straight west at 30 knots and on June 18 arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Veteran Company

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More than 300 people, including officials of the A.R.P. Department, A.R.P. officers and wardens, officers of the Volunteer Corps, the Naval Volunteer Force and the St John Ambulance Brigade, shared an enjoyable time at the Club Lusitano on Saturday evening when a dance was given by the officers of the Upper Levels Division of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens.

The function was a big success, a buffet supper being served at midnight and dancing continuing till the early hours, the music being provided by the Middlesex Regiment Dance Band.

Divisional Warden H. R. Sequera received the guests. Among those who attended were Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen, A.R.P. Aide-de-Camp to the Governor, Mr. M. L. Bevan, Mr. Ho Kam-long, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Major C. Chang, Capt. C. de Sallie Robertson, Mr. Ernest Manning, Mr. G. A. Pentreath, Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rumjahn, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baptista, Miss Priscilla Ho, the Misses Grant, Mr. A. E. M. Rafeek, Mr. George Sun and Miss Lorna Mok.

Object of Function

At supper, Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, in a brief speech, congratulated the Upper Levels Division for their initiative in arranging the dance, which he said was the first function of its kind since the inauguration of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens. The object of such a function, he said, was to bring all members of the Corps closer together.

He expressed thanks to the Committee of the Club Lusitano for allowing the use of their Club, and to Mr. Baptista for the fine decorations in the ballroom.

Play's Record Run On Broadway

"Tobacco Road," the grim and sordid drama of the Georgian Hills, which broke all records for length of run on Broadway, is now in its eighth year.

The previous Broadway record was held by "Abie's Irish Rose," with 2,317 performances. In London the Lord Chamberlain refused a licence to "Tobacco Road," and it was performed in private at the Gate Theatre Studio.

Arctic Is Boring Nazis To Death

HUNDREDS of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalidated home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced recently, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom, and it sometimes leads to violent lunacy.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is becoming so seriously affected that Hitler has ordered the expenditure of millions of pounds on German "soldiers' homes" to be established everywhere between the "North Cape and the Bay of Biscay."

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

Y.M.C.A. VETERAN

Mr B. W. Smith Leaving Shanghai After 26 Years

The Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A. and the Navy Y.M.C.A. District Executive Secretary, Mr B. W. Smith is sailing for home in the President Pierce on May 3.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Body of Moslem law
2—Printer's measure
3—Indigo dye
4—Stratagem
5—Dramatic
6—Note of scale
7—Deltic
8—Slave traders
9—Tilted
10—Forsing ant
11—To rear
12—Deltic
13—At sea
14—Science of words
15—Parting to archery
16—Italian point
17—Pieces
18—Repentant
19—Indian black-back
20—Cur
21—Dowry
22—Toothed
23—Brought forth young
24—Dramatic mark
25—Catching of words
26—Nine extraneous
27—Seed coating
28—Bound in sleep
29—Cut
30—Tree
31—Beverage
32—Went to right
33—Nothing
34—Asteric air
35—Greek letter
36—Italian river

DOWN

1—Standard clothing
2—Permit

3—Handled
4—On account of
5—Salary
6—Amount sleeping through
7—Dip in table
8—Monotonous

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Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR-MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April Apr. 21.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th April Apr. 26.

OUTWARD AIR-MAILS

Monday, Apr. 21
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.F.O.
Reg. Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 21, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 21, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 25
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.F.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 25, 4 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 25, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 26
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.F.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 26, 5.30 p.m.

Chain-Gang Fugitive May Go Back

THE man who wrote "I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang," Robert E. Burns is to go back to Georgia, U.S.A., to stand his trial on a charge of being a fugitive from the chain gang, according to a report from Atlanta, (Georgia).

Burns has been living in New Jersey for some years since the success of his film and his famous book, and the authorities there refused to extradite him until yesterday. He had been given a six-year sentence for theft, until he escaped, and in his book he describes the whipping of prisoners and their confinement in sweat boxes and in stocks.

He tells how he managed to escape, only to be caught. He escaped again, and this time remained at liberty.

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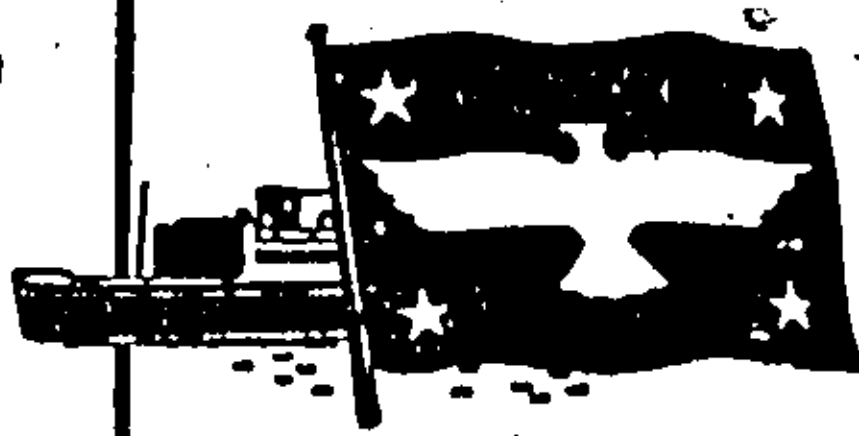
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A MORAL DEFEAT

DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventuality is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

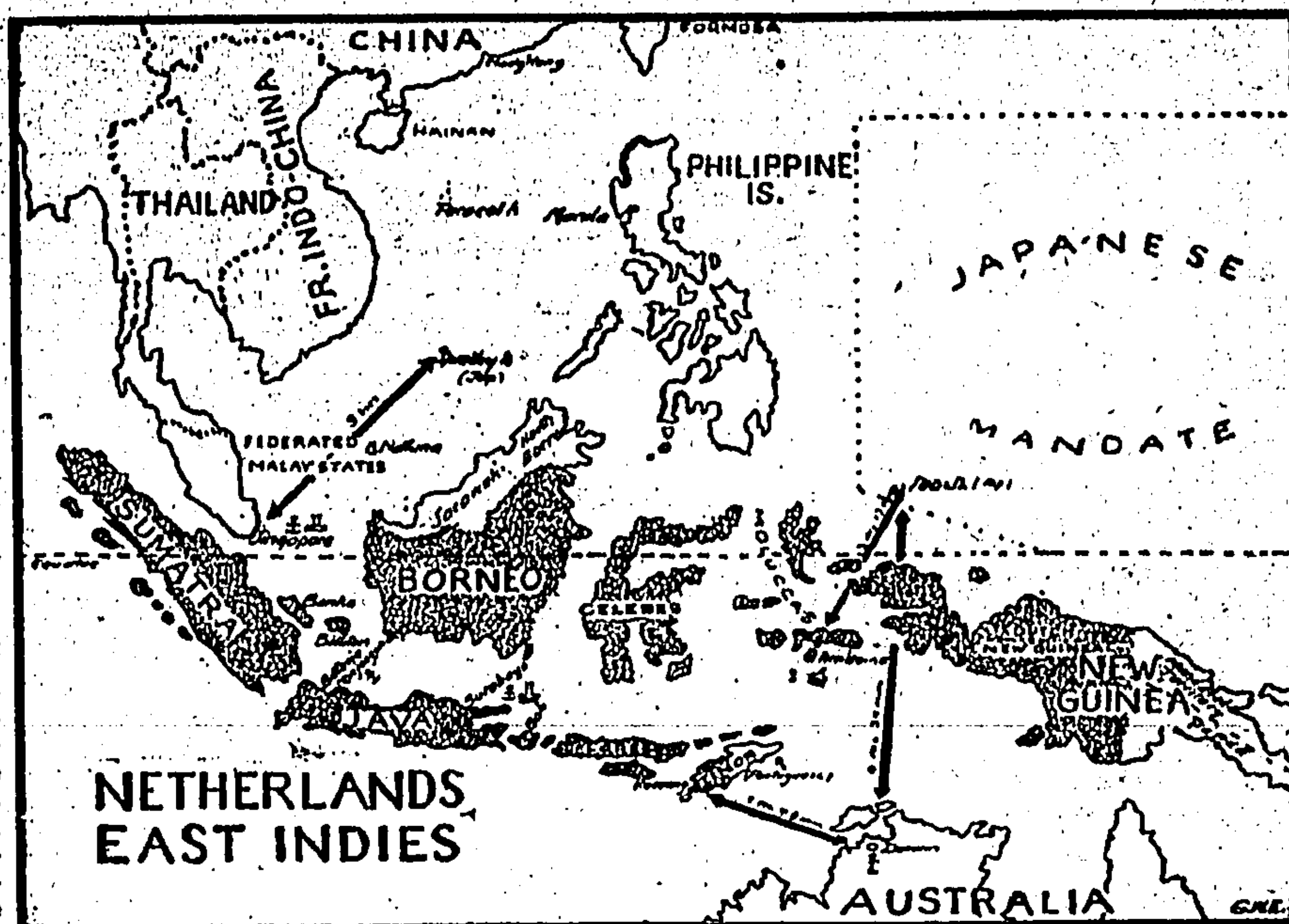
London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He has a war which he tried to avoid. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece, said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Cretania and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help.

The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfill orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

"Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country—they simply walked in.

Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war. . . . The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the other party."

Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big arms purchases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Flying-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boat bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya. (M.I.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting native Militia if sufficient structures and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Ambona are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for harassing an invader and protecting the trade routes, and the fighting qualities of the Dutch seamen would be more than a match for the Japanese in equal combat. In circumstances of numerical inferiority the Indies Navy must depend to a large extent on its submarine fleet (the size of which is surprising) and its destroyers. Attention is being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

Plans are based on the unlikely assumption that the Indies would have to meet an attack the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. Reserves of munitions have been built up and local industries are turning out shells and bombs, small arms ammunition, and mines. Fly-overs were formerly purchased overseas. The Indies do not, however, think that they will have to stand alone in a crisis.

Dutch and British

JAPANESE emphasis on the status quo has probably been the main factor in preventing any formal Anglo-Dutch alliance in the Far East with arrangements for the joint defence of the Indies and British Malaya, but it is difficult to find anyone in the Indies and the Netherlands who would stand together in the event of a challenge to either in the Far East. Although there may be no staff conversations on the spot, it cannot be overlooked that Dutch naval and military officers are in close touch with the British defence ministries in London.

British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaya, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions, it is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya. (M.I.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Oh, that's the landlord—we gave this party to break our lease and now he won't hear of it!"

Whoopee Rebuke In Pulpit

THE British community in Calcutta has been rebuked from the pulpit of the local cathedral for spending thousands of pounds on entertainment in wartime.

Canon Boulton, their critic, appealed to the community to reconsider the ways in which they could best associate themselves with the people of the home country during its present ordeal.

The Calcutta financial paper "Capital," supported Canon Boulton. "His picture is not overdrawn," it said.

"Our people at home are going through hell, and their amazing cheerfulness and fortitude cannot disguise the physical facts of the process."

British residents have defended themselves in letters to "The Statesman."

One Briton described Canon Boulton's sermon as "an attempt to turn us into a bunch of snuggly and hypocritical Dismal Jiminies at the same time to paralyse business."

Prisoners Of War Jazz Band

An orchestra and a jazz band are helping to enliven some British war prisoners in a camp in Germany.

Letters received by the Red Cross and St John War Organisation show that prisoners are now receiving many letters and parcels.

One officer says: "Ten thousand letters have arrived here."

Another: "New rule lets letters from home be four pages (two sheets). Please tell all. Now have good orchestra and jazz band. Dished out with vivid blue overcoats: good fit and warm."

A third: "We are living like lords, thanks to the Red Cross, who send us parcels."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued from the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,345 s.
H.K. Banks (new)	73 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	78 1/2 n.
Chartered	85 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.E.	21 1/2 n.
Mercantile C. E.	10 1/2 n.
East Asia	70 b.

INSURANCE	
Canton	222 1/2 n.
Union	430 s.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	187 n.

SHIPPING	
Douglas	135 n.
Steamboats	8 1/2 n.
Indo-China S. S.	60 b.
Indo-China S. S.	60 b.
Shell (Steamers)	41 1/2 n.
Waterboats	655 n.

DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	85 1/2 b.
Docks	10 n.
Providents	510 n.
Shai Dockyards	24 1/2 n.

MINING	
Kailan	14 1/2 n.
Raub	8 n.
H.K. Mines	14 1/2 n.

LANDS	
Hotels	290 s.
Lands	33 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	97 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	12 1/2 n.
Humphreys	680 b.
H.K. Realities	310 n.
Chinese Estates	99 n.

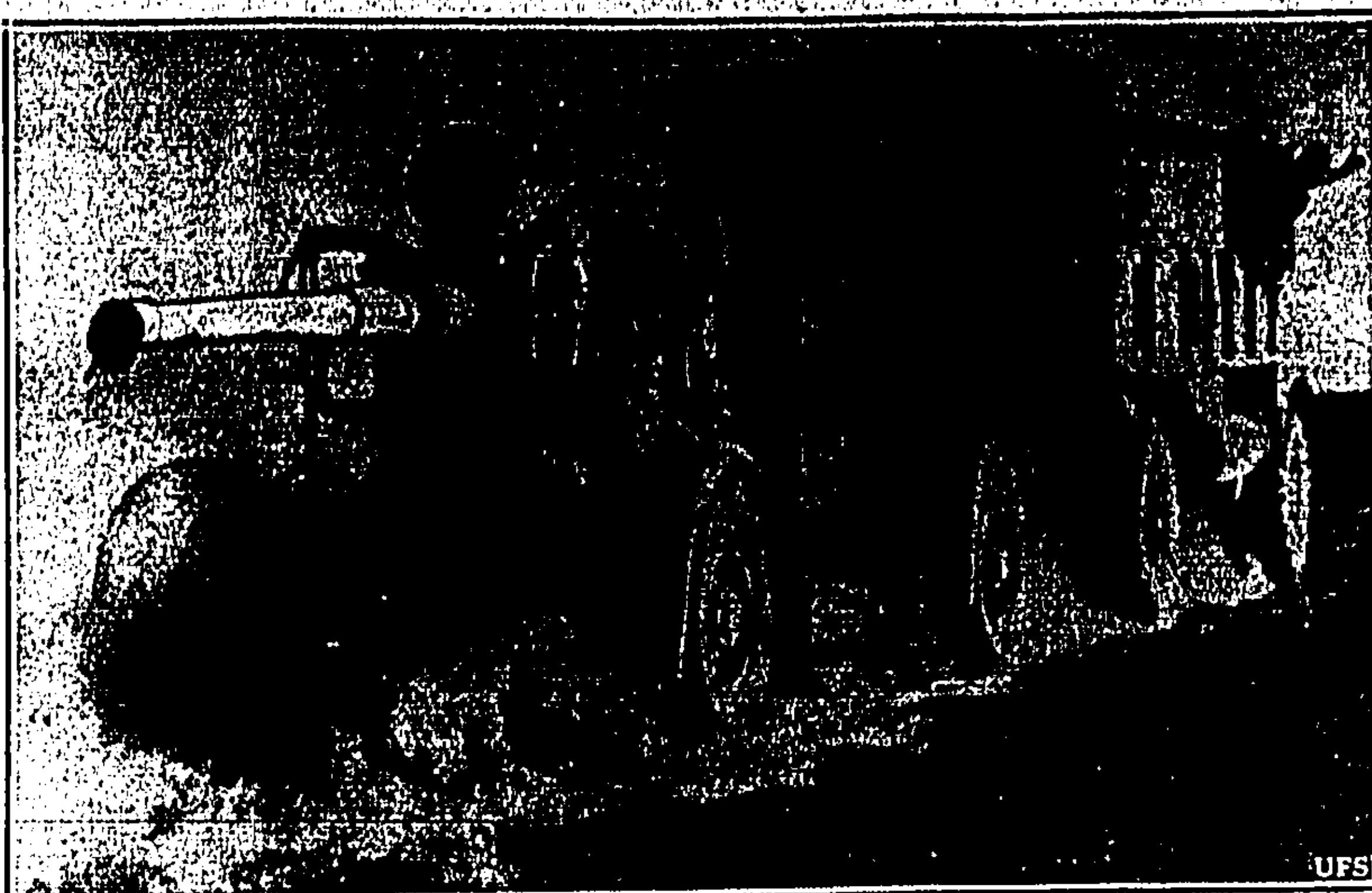
UTILITIES	
Trams	16 1/2 s.
Peaks Trams (old)	7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	52 n.
Y. Ferries	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	620 s.
China Lights (new)	170 n.
Lights Rts.	60 cts.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts.	20 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	25 1/2 n.
Mineo Electric (old)	18 n.
Mineo Electric (new)	18 n.
Sandakan Lights	32 n.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	9 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS	
Cold. Macg. (Ord.)	30 n.
Cold. Macg. (Pref.)	25 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	10 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	7 n.

STORES, &c.	
Dairy Foods	17 1/2 n.
Watsons	9 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford	7 1/2 n.
Sincere	21 1/2 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	100 n.

COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	42 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	200 n.

MISC.	
H.K. Govt 4% (1934)	97 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/4% (1940)	94 n.
Ch Govt 5% 1925 GBds	28 n.
H.K. Entertainments	100 n.
Constructions (old)	100 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	720 n.
Martins Inv. (Lon.)	0/3 n.
Martins Inv. (H.K.)	2/6 n.



NEEDED AT FRONT—Cloud of desert dust rises as British anti-aircraft gun is rushed into position at Bardia, Italian stronghold in Libya captured by British on Jan. 5.

Economist Urges Democracies To Pool Resources For Defence

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Jaime A. Zuloaga, Director of Foreign Trade of Columbia, has suggested a tripartite agreement among the United States, Britain and Latin America "to unite all these interests in the pooling of their resources for military defence, resources which would be unequalled either in the economic or military field."

Writing in the monthly publication "Commercial Pan American," issued by the Pan American Union, Zuloaga describes the danger to the Americas if Britain should be defeated, and asserts that such an agreement should not be postponed.

"There will be many who will excitedly ridicule this line of conduct as a quick road to the greater extension of British and North American economic, even political, dominance in Latin America," he states.

"Like most such statements, this is foolish, since Latin America's economy is at present characterised by a marked dependence on the machine-producing centres for the very means of production, a condition which cannot be modified within a short time."

"Immediate and collective co-operation is required of everyone, and the politico-doctrinaire to transience that in this case seeks to quarrel with the true welfare impelled by genuine economic motives, should be laid to one side."

Victor's Control

"If the future has reserved for us a surprise in the form of a British defeat, we shall then be the mere executors of orders emanating from Moscow and perhaps Berlin," he continued.

Zuloaga expresses the belief that Latin America's attitude would be controlled by the victor of the European war.

"In case of an English victory, isolated from any intervention by Russia or Far Eastern powers, political changes in America would probably not be as serious as economic and social disturbances," he writes.

Slaves Of Germany

"But a triumphant Germany would impose upon the Old World the inexorable rigour of a political, social and economic tyranny, and as for the pretensions of this diabolical German genius, it is sufficient to record these words: 'We shall make of those American hybrids a continent of slaves.'"

As a result of threats to American well-being, Zuloaga continues, there has developed "a unanimous sentiment of American solidarity, culminating in the Conference of Havana, which affirmed in principle a grand alliance among the 21 republics of this economic system, with the purpose of uniting military, economic and political forces which might lend effective support to the crusade in defence of the great principles of liberty and law, despite the fact that such determination angers that deluded one who pretends to establish himself, by every means possible, as arbiter in a world opposed to every act of violence accompanied by injustice."

South American Economy

Examining the economy of the American republics, Zuloaga finds that the Latin American republics had in 1938 an "apparent" excess of exports over imports of \$345,000,000. This is only apparent, however, because of the low value of raw materials exported in relation to the labour expended for their extraction and because of the large outflow of profits on foreign investments.

"Foreign investments in Latin America by 1932 amounted to \$10,250,000,000," he states. "If we accept the hypothesis that about ten percent is required for amortisation and interest in the case of loans, and profits in the case of direct investments, the annual outflow from South and Central America on this account would be \$1,025,000,000, in which case the positive balance of trade, would become a negative balance of \$680,000,000, without taking into consideration receipts from tourists and travellers."

Britain And U.S.

Zuloaga contends that the economies of Britain and the United States are to a large extent complementary. For example, Britain is the least self-sufficient nation among the greater powers in

foodstuffs, producing only 25 percent of her needs.

The United States, on the other hand, has the greatest degree of self-sufficiency, with a percentage of 264 percent.

Zuloaga contends that both Britain and the United States are to some degree losing their markets for manufactured goods.

"Latin America, on the other hand, sees its centres of supply for manufactured products, as well as its markets for pastoral and agricultural products, being reduced."

This, in the writer's opinion, is one of the compelling reasons for such an agreement as he suggests.

Home Football And Rugby Results

London, Apr. 20.

Following were the results of the football matches played yesterday: War Cup (fourth round). Arsenal 1, Leicester City 0; Preston 2, Newcastle 0; London Cup. Chelsea 4, Fulham 3; Queen's Park Rangers 2, Crystal Palace 1; Clapton 2, West Ham 3; Reading 2, Tottenham 2. Football League (South). Brighton 3, Southampton 2; Cardiff City 3, Watford 2; Portsmouth 2, Bournemouth 1; South Regional League. Brentford 1, Millwall 2; Walsall 1, Mansfield 1; West Bromwich 2, Northampton 2. Northern League. Barnsley 3, Middlesbrough 2; Blackpool 2, Huddersfield 2; Chesterfield 4, Everton 1; Crewe 2, New Brighton 3; Grimsby 3, Rochester 1; Lincoln City 6, Bradford 2; Manchester City 5, Wrexham 0; Rochdale 1, Bolton 3; Southport 3, Tranmere 1. Regional Match. Sheffield Wednesday 1, Notts Forest 1. Lancashire Cup (semi-final). Chester 1, Macclesfield 0, after extra time. Scottish Cup (semi-final). Celtic 0, Hearts 2; Rangers 4, St Mirren 1. Football League (North). Third Lanark 4, Albion Rovers 3, Greenock Morton 3. League Matches. Football League 9, All British 7; British Army XI 1, Scottish League 2; Aldershot 3, Army VI 0; West Regional League. Bath City 2, Abernethy 0; Cardiff Corinthians 0, Bristol City 2; Lovell's Athletic 2, Cardiff City 1. —Reuter.

Rugby, League Cup

London, Apr. 20.

Results of the Rugby matches played yesterday were: League Cup (second round). Batley 9, Hull 6; Bradford Northern 25, Swinton 6; Castleford 21, St Helens 13; Dewsbury 14, Huddersfield 6; Bramley 7; Hunslet 64, Liverpool Stanley 0; Wakefield Trinity 22, Wigan 0; York 0, Halifax 3. Friendly. Gloucester 10, R.A.F. XV 3. —Reuter.

Vichy Plans Rail Line Across Sahara Desert

Admiral Platon, Vichy's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Jean Berthelot, Secretary for Colonization, were scheduled recently to leave for Morocco to supervise planning of the new trans-Sahara railway, extending from the Mediterranean to the Niger and hooking up with the existing railroad to Dakar.

Development by the railroad was made necessary by reason of the British blockade, which has proved the value of the inland line connecting the rich African empire pool of foodstuffs and the mainland, says a United Press message.

The railroad will be of a normal, full-gauge able to handle trains up to 1,100 tons. It will skirt the great Sahara dunes so as to avoid the danger from wind and shifting sands. It will be laid out on the great stony plateau which is comparatively sheltered.

Japanese Cannot Scrap Iron

A \$64,000 cargo of scrap iron, loaded for shipment to Japan in 1937 and stranded in San Francisco Bay since, will go for U.S. national defence.

It is the cargo of the Kwang Yuan, freighter which has seen ship fights, mutiny, seizure and several new owners in recent years.

The Chinese Consul-General refused to allow the vessel clearance in 1937, asserting it had been seized from China and was being reclaimed under war conditions.

Little Benefit

The Federal Court ruled the ship was properly in Chinese custody, though the cargo certainly belonged to Japan, which had paid for it. The Japanese had little benefit of the ruling, however, for they could not touch the ship to move it to a pier for unloading, and to unload at anchor was not considered feasible.

Vessel Sold

The United States Supreme Court declined to review the decision. The ship recently was sold by the Chinese to the Carpenter line.

The cargo to be unloaded is to go to the Bethlehem Steel Company, presumably under a settlement with the Japanese.

Milk Punch Suited Mr Wilkie

A case of milk punch made in Dover from a secret recipe has been sent to Mr Wendell Wilkie. When Mr Wilkie was lunching with an Admiral during his visit to Dover, he sampled the punch, drank three glasses and then asked where he could get a supply.

Before leaving England he sent a large cheque to a Dover wine merchant who makes the punch. Part of the money covers the cost of the punch, but the balance, a much bigger sum, goes to Dover war charities. The punch Mr Wilkie found so good is made from a recipe supplied many years ago by an officer who had lived in India. It can no longer be made owing to the shortage of lemons and the high cost of spirits. All the stocks in existence were put down before the war.

RICKETS ADVICE Specially Written For H.K.

An interesting and informative article on the subject of "Rickets" has been written by Dr T. Y. Li at the request of the Nutrition Research Committee. Dr Li deals with the subject in six phases. He tells what the disease is and discusses its symptoms, causes and dangers, its prevention and treatment, as follows:

What is Rickets?
Rickets is a chronic disease due to bad nutrition and incorrect mode of living, its most apparent and easily detectable symptom being the softening of the bony structure. Because of the weakness of bones, deformities usually result after birth. Its pathology is rather complicated. The disease affects the muscles, ligaments, mucous membrane, internal organs and the nervous system, and should not be regarded as merely one of the diseases of bones. The reason of its being regarded as a disease of soft bones is because its most apparent symptom is in the bones.

Rickets may be divided into mild and severe cases. A mild case usually shows no apparent symptoms and is not easily recognised by the common people. After some time it becomes severe and the bones of the different parts of the body show marked changes which can then be recognised by sight.

(a) Mild Rickets.—The patient is usually six to eighteen months old. At first the face is pale. There is a lot of sweating of the head, especially during sleep. The patient is restless at night with cough and plenty of phlegm and is easily attacked by colds.

(b) Severe Rickets.—If a mild case does not receive appropriate treatment at its commencement, the symptoms gradually become more marked. In addition to those just described, the patient may develop convulsions or spasms of the throat. The bony changes become more marked. The bones of the head become irregular and the chest bones drawn in; the spine shows changes until the patient develops hump-back and the bones of the lower limbs become bow-shaped. The muscles become weak and flaccid and the child's ability to stand and walk is much delayed as compared with a normal child. Owing to the weakness of the muscles of the abdomen, stomach and intestine, digestion is poor and the abdomen becomes distended (this is easily mistaken by lay people for ascites or worms). Feeding is delayed and the child is anaemic.

Causes of Rickets
The causes are (a) Lack of Vitamin D in the food; (b) Lack of sunlight.

The children who are most liable to this disease are usually bottle-fed or breast-fed for unduly long period (for example up to 1 or 1 1/2 years).

Most condensed milk or milk powder is deficient in Vitamin D. Likewise, when mother's milk is being used for too long a period, its nutritive value, including Vitamin D, is not sufficient to meet the needs of an older child. Both can lead to a deficiency of Vitamin D in the child, and if the house where the child lives is dark and so the child is not sufficiently exposed to sunlight, he can easily become a victim of rickets. As a result of investigation by most doctors, we find that Vitamin D has an anti-Rickets value and so has sun-light, because sun-light can produce Vitamin D in the skin.

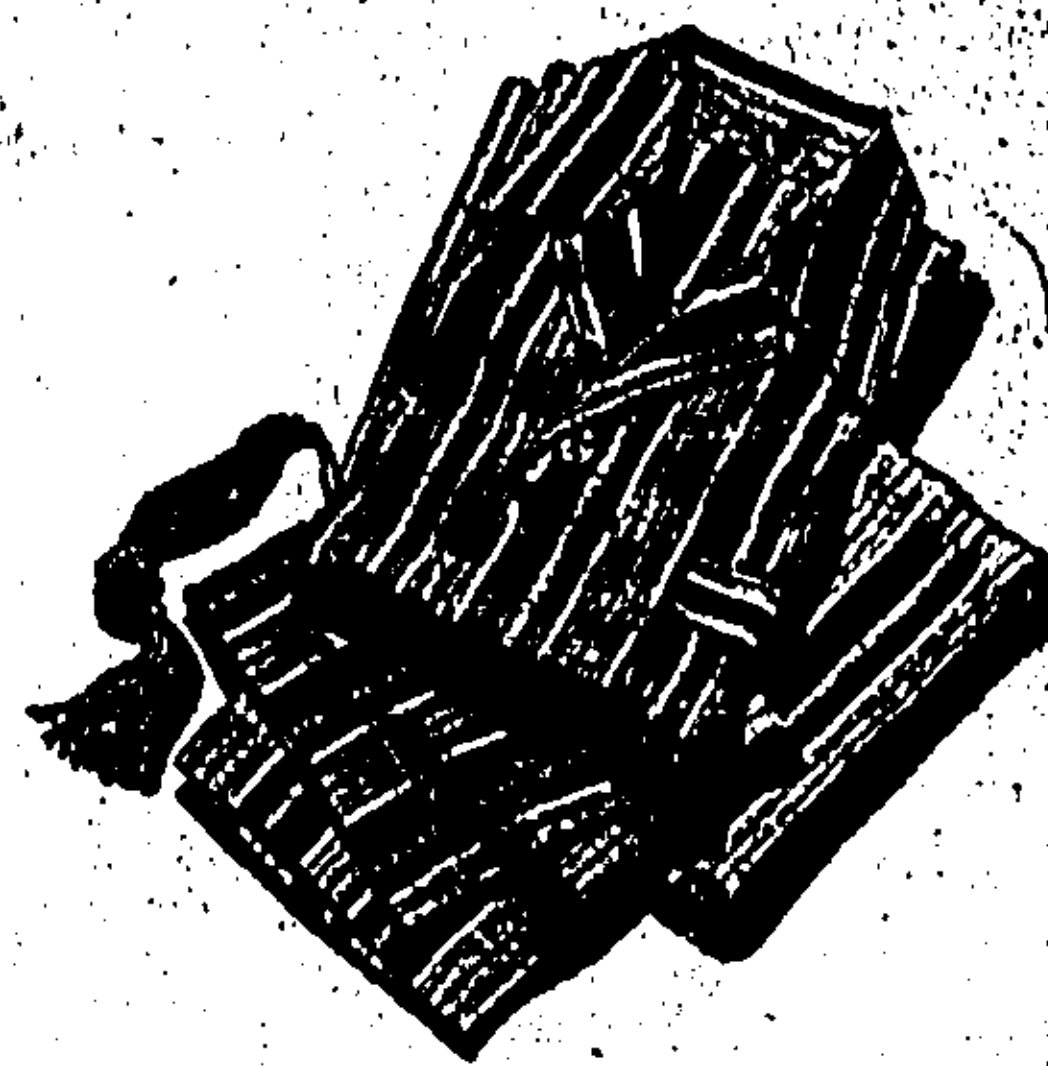
Dangers of Rickets.—Although Rickets will not cause death directly (unlike Cholera and Consumption), it can affect the development of the different parts of the child's body, and therefore affect its future health. As the child is already weak, it is dangerous and even easily fatal if the child suffers from an acute disease such as Bronchitis or Pneumonia and so it kills the child indirectly. While an acute disease has a rapid onset and so easily attracts one's attention, a chronic disease develops symptoms gradually and is thus easily overlooked but its danger lies in the permanence of its future damage, notably the bony deformity which may persist in one's life time. So we would pay more attention to this.

Prevention and Treatment
Having described its cause, prevention must be directed towards the removal of its causes. Thus, proper nutrition and correct way of living of the child should be attended to. For the sake of convenience we describe its prevention as follows:

(a) The child should be fed on mother's milk and unless it is absolutely unavoidable, the child should not be bottle-fed.
(b) Breast feeding should be limited to eight or nine months only. After six months, other foods rich in Vitamin D should be gradually added (e.g., yolk of egg, and cod liver oil).
(c) The child should be frequently exposed to sunshine.
(d) If a child cannot be breast-fed on account of mother's sickness or other unavoidable reasons, cod liver oil should be given to such a child from three months onwards. If, unfortunately, a child suffers from rickets or shows preliminary signs of Rickets (e.g., bony deformities at night, night sweating, plenty of phlegm, tendency to coughs and anaemia, etc.), medical treatment should at once be sought. The parents should not delay until the bones show changes.

Treatment
(a) Give adequate doses of cod liver oil.
(b) Sunbath.
(c) Ultra-violet ray in case sunlight is lacking. (This should be done by doctors only.)

(d) For those who have already shown bony changes, treatment by exercises or postural correction would be advised by doctors, and if such deformities had been present for a long time, operation may be



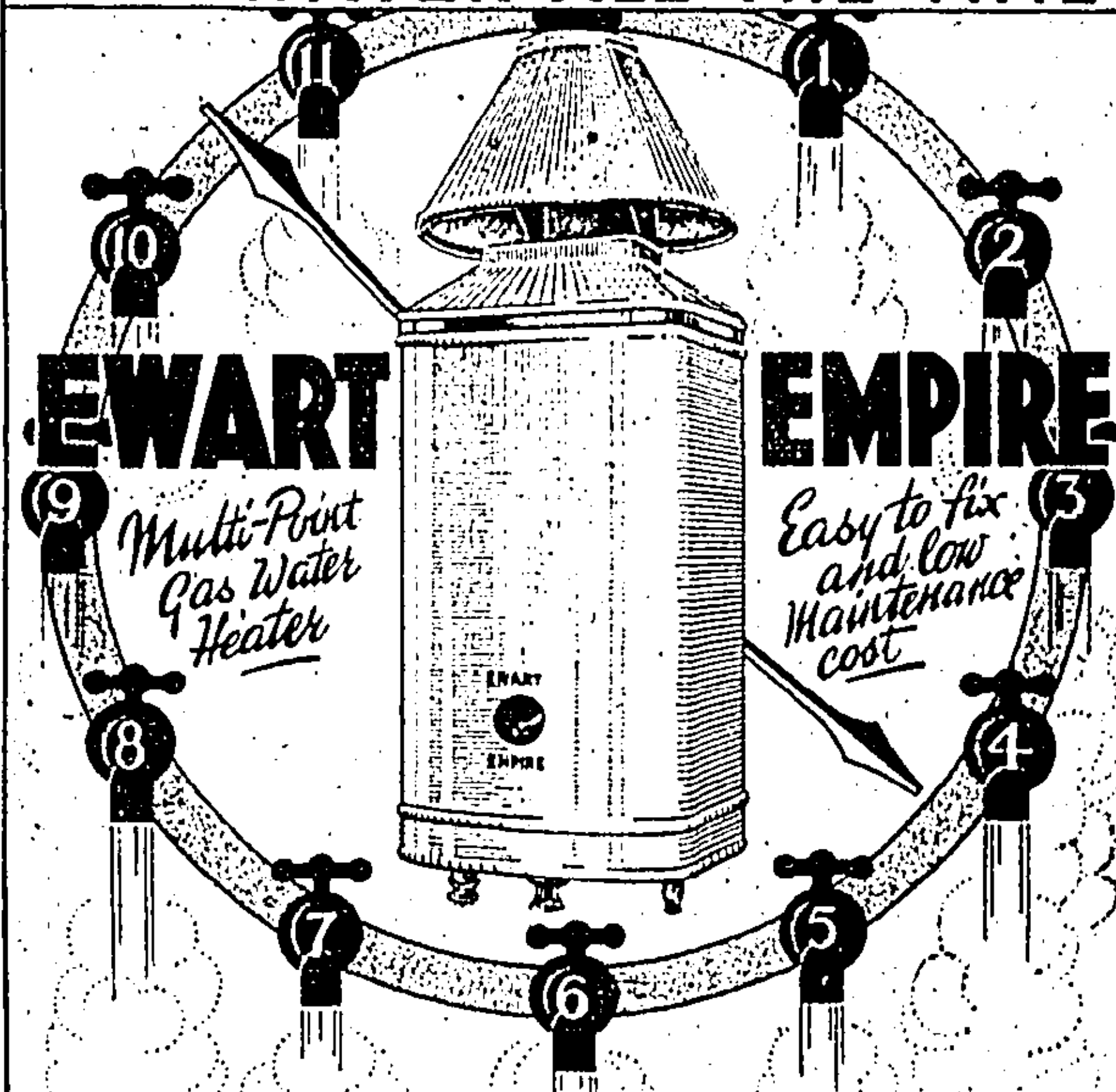
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Princess Elizabeth Congratulations

To-day is the fifteenth birthday of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth, and the following message has been sent by His Excellency the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on behalf of the Colony of Hongkong.

"Request that you will convey to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her birthday the good wishes and loyal and hearty congratulations of all sections of the community in Hongkong."

necessary. Before the bones are calcified, the child should not be allowed to walk or sit with folded legs, to prevent further deformities.

Is there Rickets in Hongkong?—People usually think that Hongkong is near the tropical region and has plenty of sunlight and therefore there are no cases of Rickets. This is wrong. Although Hongkong has more sunlight than the temperate region, parents usually do not realise the advantages of sunlight and dare not expose their children to sunshine. Poor people live in small crowded houses and are unable to make use of the sunlight. Further, on account of economic reasons the nutrition of mothers is deficient and therefore their milk is deficient in nutritive value. As in some mothers have to go out and work or may think that condensed milk or milk powder is preferable to breast milk and therefore give up breast-feeding. At the same time they do not understand that bottle-fed children should have cod liver oil added to their food. For various reasons, Rickets in Hongkong is not uncommon. Fortunately, owing to sufficient sunlight here which can be a compensation to a certain degree, most cases are not severe, but this can not be regarded as satisfactory. For instance, during the Spring, there are plenty of cases of Bronchitis and Pneumonia in children in this Colony, some of which recover but others die. These cases seem to have a close relationship with Rickets.

MADCHEN IN A.T.S. UNIFORM

Four German girls were among the first to enlist in the Auxiliary Territorial Service. As three have relatives in Germany the authorities suppressed their surnames and referred to them as Adela, Antoni, Ilse and Elli.

An A.T.S. officer said: "Hundreds of alien women have applied to join the A.T.S. All are drawn from C class aliens, i.e., non-internees. The applications are given a thorough scrutiny."

Would Shoot German

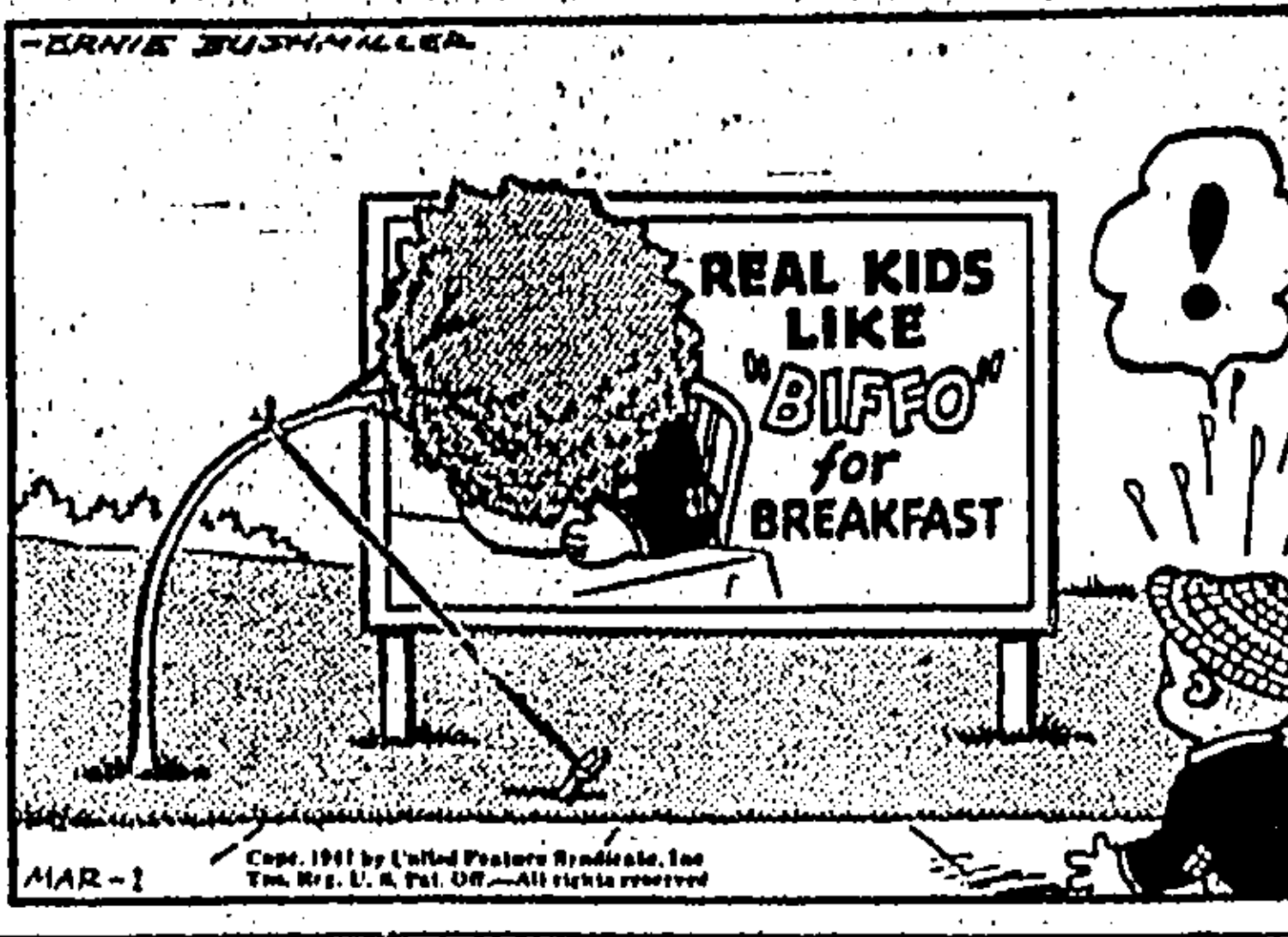
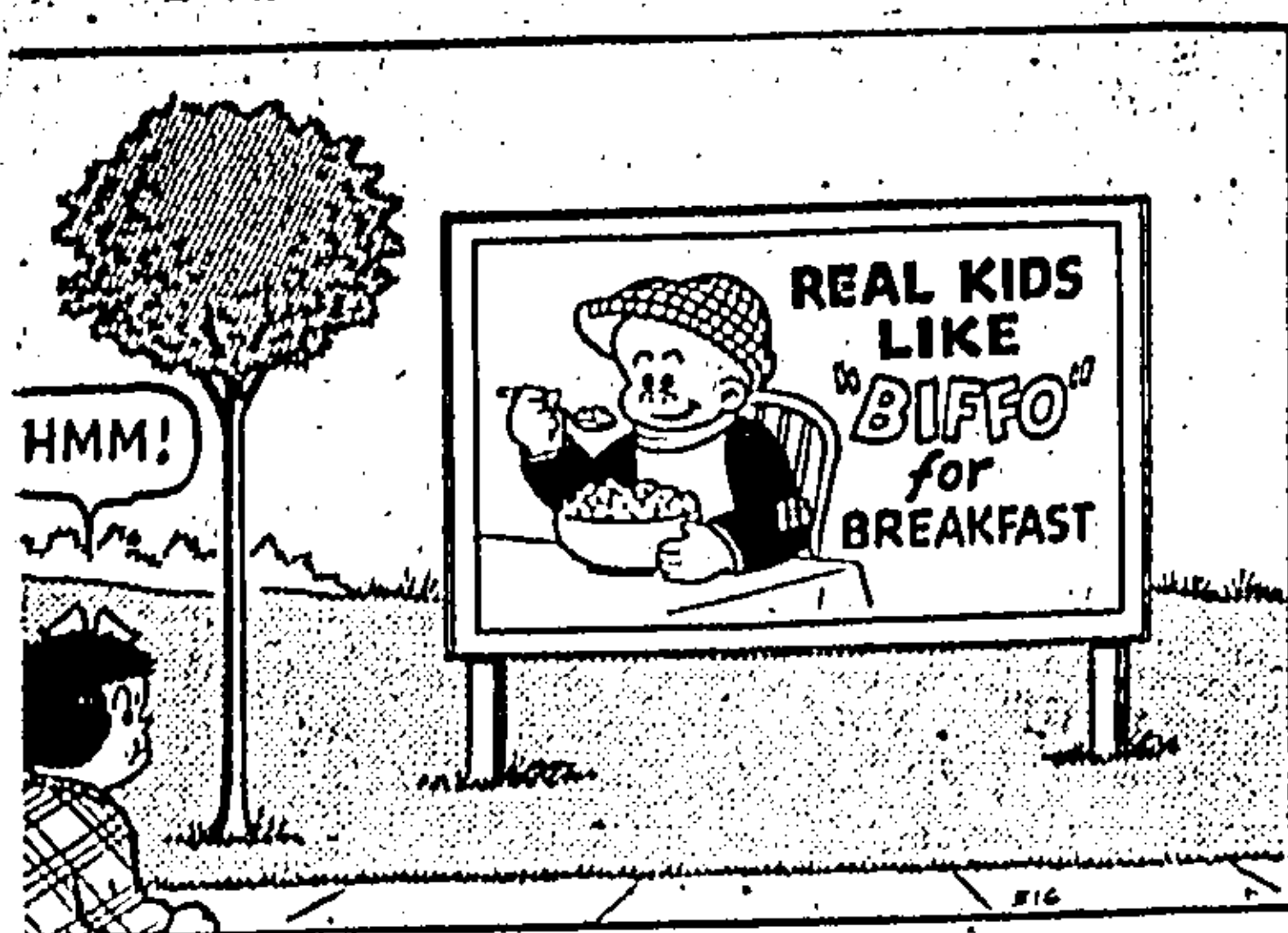
Adela, graduate of a German university, was a director of a firm in Germany until five years ago. She has been working in Britain as a clerk.

"I don't know what I will have to do in the A.T.S., but if they put a rifle in my hand and I saw a German I would certainly use it against him," she said.

Deanna Durbin Married

Hollywood, Apr. 19.
Deanna Durbin last night brought to a climax her transformation from a child star in the movies to womanhood by becoming the bride of quiet Vaughn N. Paul, assistant director of her first picture.

NANCY



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Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 552 m.c. per second. H.K.T.

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Interruption.

12.30 Jay Wilbur and His Band.

1.0 Local Time Signal.

1.01 The Orchestra Mascotte with Yvonne Printemps (Soprano).

From Near and Far—Waltz Melodies, Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Strauss), "C'est la Saison d'Amour," Yvonne Printemps (Soprano), "Te Souviens-tu."

Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney and Orchestra, Valse Blue (Margis), Tesoro Mio—Waltz (Bucchi), Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Strauss), "Je ne suis pas ce que l'on pense," Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney & Orch., "Lovely to Kiss—Waltz (Dicker), Dance of the Fairies—Waltz (Rosenthal), Orchestra Mascotte.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Vocal with Orch.—The Lambeth Walk (from Me and My Girl), Lupino Lane with Teddie St Denis and Company, Piano—Fox-Trot Medley, Intro: Take My Heart; Empty Saddles; It is True what They Say About Dixie, Waltz Medley, Intro: It's a Sin to Tell a Lie; Would You? Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together, Burton Brown, Vocal—Let's Call the Whole Thing Off, They Can't Take That Away from Me (both from "Shall We Dance"), Hildegarde with Carroll Gibbons and his Orchestra, Piano—An Evening With You (film "Colleen") (Dublin Warren), Gerry Moore, Humorous—What The Stars Foretell (Thomson), Sandy Powell, C. B. Cochran Medley, Comper C. B. Cochran assisted by Elizabeth Welch, Edward Cooper and Ray Noble and His Orch.

2.15 Indian Programme.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 A Debussy Programme.

The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr Gradus ad Parnassum; (b) The Snow is Dancing; (c) Serenade for the Doll; (d) Jumbo's Lullaby; (e) The Little Shepherd; (f) Gollwog's Cake; (g) Little Water, Gollwog's (Piano), La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin), "Dance"—(a) Dance Sacree; (b) Dance Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.

8.0 Local Time Signal.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Piano Duets by Moreton and Kaye.

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I'll Remember; A Man and His Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere.

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 A Light Orchestra Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).

International Railroad Express, Polka Frieda, Jakov Serebroff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Fired a Miss You so, (Clanville & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Secret note (Hensell), Frederic Hippmann and his Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thinkin' of Mary (Ashby & T. C. Stenale Bennett), Always As I Close My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & Cones), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11.0 Close Down.

CONCERT

School Orchestra Plays To Crowded House

Under the auspices of the South China Women's Temperance Union, a concert of classical music was given by the orchestra of the Pui Ching Middle School, formerly of Canton and now of Macao, at the St Paul's Girls School, Kowloon, on Saturday, and was well attended. The proceeds from the sale of tickets will be donated to aid refugees in China.

By Ernie Bushmiller

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
Demand London	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	450
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. France	102 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/2
4 m/s France	84 1/2
30 d/s India	104 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.01 1/4

Greek King To Lead His People

Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being.

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence.

High Duty

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices, we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country. "May we go and save Greece."

MALTA RAID

Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junkers was shot down into the sea. From all operations, one of our fighters is missing.

Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning. Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

The ninth anniversary dinner of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden on Thursday, May 8.

Building Land Serious Shortage In Urban Areas

Crown Land available for sale in urban districts is becoming so scarce that Government has decided to insist on more intensive development in regard to land required for factory development, said the Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves in an interview on Saturday.

In effect this means that in future higher Building Covenants will be stipulated in the Conditions of Sale of land intended for factory development.

At present many factories consist of one storey buildings and often a large portion of the lot is retained as an open yard. It is recognised that one storey factories requiring considerable yard space must still be catered for, but the intention now is that such concerns must go farther afield where land is more plentiful and cheaper.

LAND RESUMPTIONS

An unusually large number of land resumption notices appeared in Saturday's Gazette, applying to areas near Kowloon City. The Director of Public Works explained that these low lying agricultural lots are being resumed for the purpose of Town Planning development and form only a portion of a comprehensive Scheme.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$70
Union Ins. \$425
Indo-China (Pref) \$80
Wharves \$85.50
Humphreys \$6.80
Trams \$10
Lights "O" \$6
Lights Rts .50 cts
Entertainments \$6.25

Sellers

H.K. Bankers \$1,345
Union Ins. \$430
Trams \$10.25
Lights "O" \$6.20
Hotels \$2.00



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

Three Fleets For U.S. Navy Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganisation of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief. Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising all these forces.

Prior to the reorganisation order, America's fighting forces afloat consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganisation not only gives the Atlantic Force a full fleet status, but provides greater flexibility in organisation to all these forces.

Bulk Of Strength

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

Kimmel's Service

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War and the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Yard at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

Admiral King

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-51 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of flying units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States Fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Oficial, Order of the Crown of Italy.

Far Eastern Chief

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

Great War. He entered the former hostilities shortly after his graduation from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, serving aboard the battleship Massachusetts and the converted yacht, Vixen and Hist.

Having gained considerable submarine experience with the naval forces in the Pacific, Hart was placed in command of a division of underwater craft when the Great War broke out. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for distinguished service afloat in command of submarines engaged in operations against the enemy.

After the war, Hart went to Far Eastern waters and there was given command of a submarine flotilla in the Asiatic fleet. He became commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet in July, 1939. The President's recent order did not affect Hart's rank, but it resulted in certain organizational changes.

Huge Food Bill For U.S. Forces

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—It will cost \$1,000,000 a day to feed American defence forces when they reach their authorized strength of more than 2,000,000 men. The largest food bill—\$750,000 a day—will be necessary for the 1,500,000 Army men and officers in service by June. The Navy will pay around \$225,000 daily to feed its projected "Two-Ocean" force of 404,500 men, and the Marine Corps will spend about \$43,000 for food when it reaches its authorized strength of 85,000 men.

The average is a little less than 50 cents a day for each man. The Army figures it spends 50 cents a day for rations, while the Navy and Marine Corps spend 40 cents a day for each man.

Bible Printers Suffer Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorized Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 8,555,480 letters, involving 778,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,189 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorized Version," said a director.

"The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses. "We are hoping we shall find some

Goldilocks Goes Back To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heidrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

Proved He Wasn't

So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters. When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

Officers In Huddle

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson," said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another. They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

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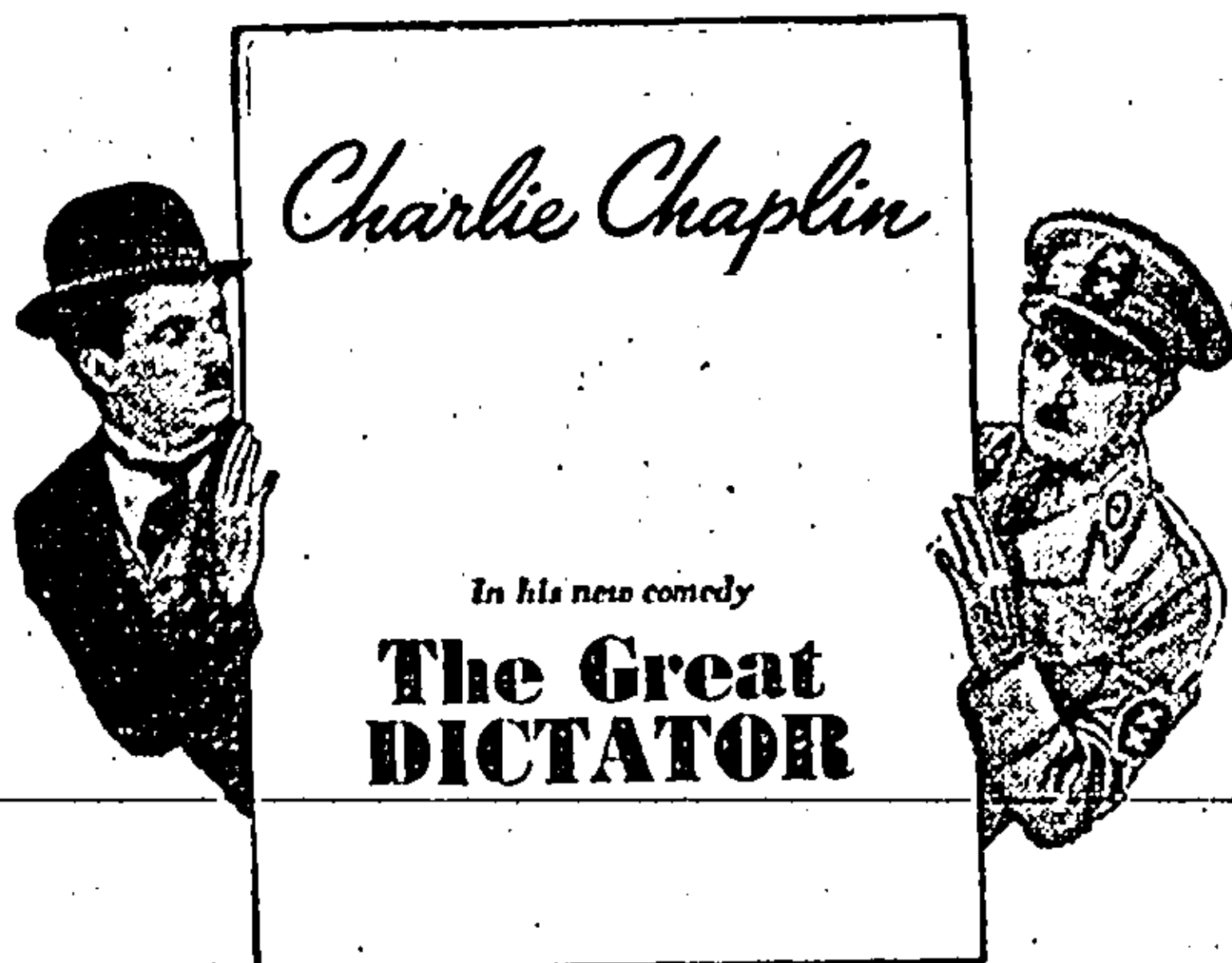


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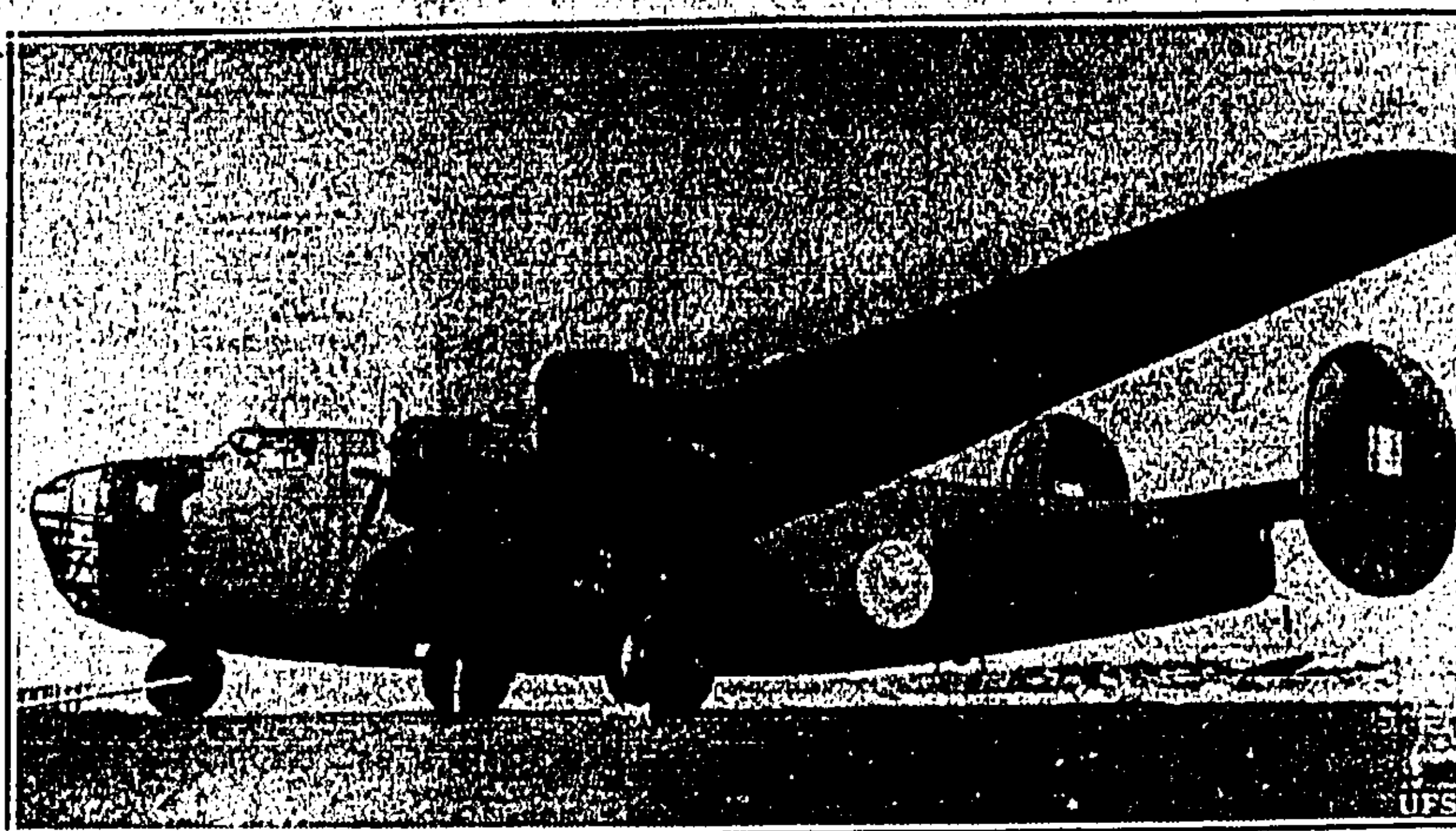
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teeling our convoys and hunting German pirates.

Off Libyan Coast
Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "I see that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely we honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

No Apology
"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it.

Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win." Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr. Alexander said.

Conservative Estimates
He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundreds of U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are nearly always on the conservative side."

Speaking of the ten Coast Guard cutters America had sent to Britain, the First Lord said: "Believe me, they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in the present."

Princess Focussed Bomb Sights

Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft of the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focussed the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time.

At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

Communal Rioting In India Costs Lives

ALHEDABAD, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—One person was killed and four were wounded when the police opened fire for the second time on a rioting mob to-day.

More than 400 persons have been taken into custody. The latest casualties in communal rioting which broke out on Friday are 50 killed and 304 wounded.

LATE NEWS

Be Generous In Battle

Pope Appeals To The Belligerents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to impede the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the least and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

Roosevelt Back Plea For 1,000 U.S. Doctors

HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here.

The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

Hearty Approval

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva.

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.

SHAOSHING CAPTURED

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resistance to the Japanese landing at various points along the east Chekiang coast, and others pushing southward from Shaoshan and other points on the south bank of the Chienkang River.

More than 20 Japanese warships arrived off the coast at Chienhai on the morning of 19. At 1 p.m. Japanese from the warships landed at points east and west of Chienhai under a naval barrage, and headed for Chienhai. After meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance, the Japanese landed reinforcements and pushed up along the south bank of the Yung River.

Japanese landing at Haimen, important seaport at Lingking Harbor, on the same morning took possession of the town and immediately pushed westward to Hwangyen which also fell into their hands toward evening. The Chinese are attempting to check their advance in the neighbourhood of Hwangyen.

Shaoshing Falls

Shaoshing, famous wine-producing town on the south bank of Hangchow Bay, about 35 miles southeast of Hangchow, is admitted to have fallen on April 17. Japanese troops who entered the town began to push southwestward. They have passed through Liukungfow and Fengkiao and are meeting with resistance at Sienfengwan.

Japanese troops pushing southward from Shaoshan, on the south bank of the Chienkang River, opposite Hangchow, have been meeting with resistance at Yikiao, Linpu, Yaokungfow and other points along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway.

Japanese troops who crossed the Fuchun River and penetrated into Tanyuan on the south bank of the river continue to push southward. They are intercepted by the Chinese at Yintienkai, northwest of Chuki.

Magyars Release Croats

BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of Yugo-Slav war prisoners of Croat nationality, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

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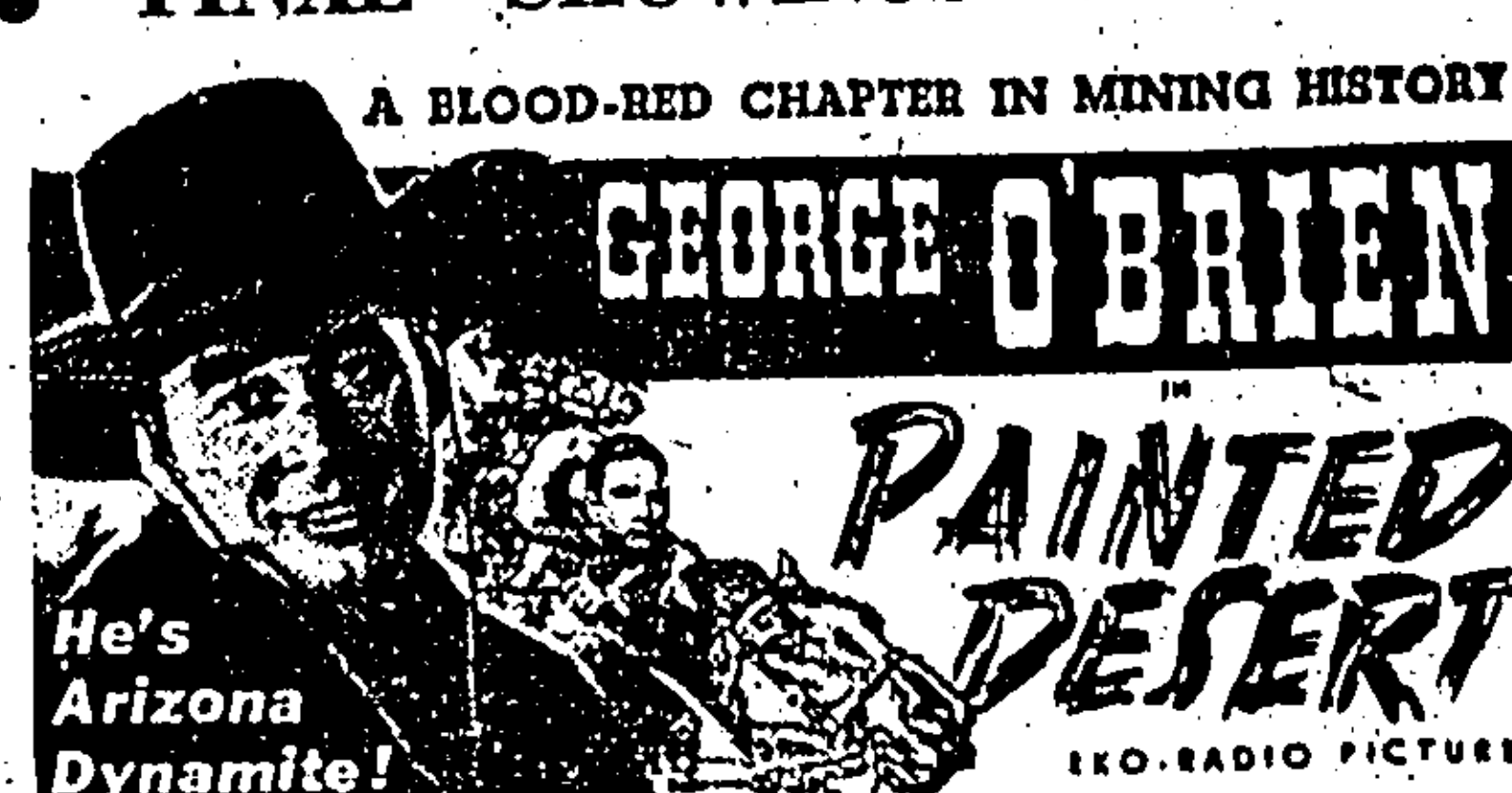


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Special to the "Telegraph"

ATHENS, APRIL 20 (UP).—THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE STATING THAT THE GERMANS HEAVILY BOMBED LAMIA YESTERDAY CAUSING CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO THE HOUSES IN THE TOWN. IN CALCIS THEY CAUSED BUT LITTLE DAMAGE AND NO CASUALTIES. ONE OF THEIR AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN.

ACCORDING TO PRESS MINISTRY NEWS FROM THE FRONT, THE GERMANS ARE CONTINUING TO ATTACK FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE LINE. THE ALLIED LINE IS UNBROKEN. THE GERMAN EFFORTS TO FORCE A DECISIVE ISSUE HAVE FAILED AND THE GERMAN LOSSES ARE TERRIBLE.

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits for U-boat service and Mr Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much." Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy, but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but I assure you that neither U-boats nor German long-range aircraft have all their own way," he said. "We

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16-Year-Old Blitz Hero

Cool and Courageous

LONDON, Apr. 20 (British Wire- less).—Among many press reports of courage and coolness on the part of London's civil population in last night's and Wednesday night's indiscriminate raids on the capital is one describing how a 16-year-old messenger boy, Michael O'Connor, four feet high, helped not only in the carrying of messages at the height of the blitz but also in fighting flames and casualty clearance. In the words of the Post-War, "Mickey" could not do enough. Seven times last night he walked from a fire round to the local fire station with messages. He also helped to fight a fire at a church, which was saved from serious damage. He also assisted a casualty to the First Aid post and carried out other duties throughout the raid. This was O'Connor's second baptism of fire, for he had previously carried out invaluable work on Wednesday night.

R.A.F. Make North Africa Uncomfortable For Enemy

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers and fighters inflicted heavy casualties and damage on enemy personnel and material in Tripolitania as well as in Cirenaica during yesterday and the previous night, according to an R.A.F. communique.

Enemy motor transport was destroyed in numerous localities, including Acroma, El Adem, Bardia and Menastor. A number of enemy aircraft were bombed and damaged at Derna aerodrome and the Berka airport was also raided.

Fighters carried out continuous offensive patrols and inflicted heavy casualties on motorised troops; they machine-gunned Gazala aerodrome, where they destroyed one Savoia

The Germans are throwing many aircraft into the fight. The heaviest fighting yesterday was around Kalabaka where the German attempt to break through also failed. They failed to break through at Mount Olympus and Sarandoporon Pass.

It is authoritatively stated that the Germans, while they have admittedly advanced south, have nowhere broken through the Allied lines.

The Press Ministry said that in Albania the operations are following their regular course. The Greeks are retiring smoothly.

The Ministry quotes the Sunday press as saying that the new and shorter Allied line will offer a strong and effective defence.

ABYSSINIA SITUATION

Selassie Returning To His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Alomata area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers alight.

Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country.

Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

BREST AGAIN ATTACKED

LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that planes of the Coastal Command attacked Brest about dusk last night and that "bombs were seen to burst in the dockyard area."

New Greek Cabinet Meets

Ministers Named

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The composition of the new Greek Cabinet, presided over by King George of Greece, was announced to-night, states the Athens radio.

The Deputy Prime Minister is Vice-Admiral Alexander Sakellarios, Chief of Naval Staff who will also be Minister for the Navy.

Personnel

Other Ministers are: War—General Panagakos. Air—General Nicolaidis. Communications and Railways—General Korzas. Foreign Affairs, Finance and National Economy—Mr. Emanuel Underos. Public Welfare and Press—Mr. Nikoloudas. Agriculture and Labour—Mr. Demetrios. Interior and Public Security—Mr. Maniades. Education and Justice—Mr. E. Sekeris.

Under-Secretary of State for Shipping—Mr. S. Theophanides. The new government took the oath at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon and held its first meeting immediately afterwards.

SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).—The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haimen after very bitter fighting.

Japanese In Ningpo SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo, one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 junk boats with Chinese troops withdrawn from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

Chinese Reports SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Central News).—Chinese troops are offering

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LATEST

S.M.C. DECISION

Shanghai, Apr. 21 (Reuter).—The Chinese Ratepayers Association has accepted the modest plan whereby only four of the five Chinese Council members shall be represented in the newly-constituted Provisional Council.

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Princess Elizabeth 15 To-day

To Receive Priceless Heirloom

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Princess Elizabeth will receive a priceless Royal Family heirloom to celebrate her 15th birthday on Monday. It is a turquoise and diamond set comprising a necklace, a brooch and bracelets which once belonged to Queen Victoria and which, according to family tradition, passes to the King's oldest daughter on her 15th birthday.

This will easily be Princess Elizabeth's most valuable possession, but she will not be allowed to wear it until she becomes at least 18 years of age, since the Queen only permits her daughter to wear a simple silver wrist watch and a plain engraved brooch. The Princess will spend her birthday "somewhere in the country" where she has been evacuated since Christmas 1939. It will be the most quiet birthday she has ever spent. The King and Queen hope to tear themselves away from their duties in London to visit her.

LONDON, Apr. 20 (British Wire- less).—A total of £11,000,839 was raised in war savings last week, making a grand total of £712,039,855.

Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and convoying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



HITLER'S BRIBE TO PETAIN

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the Germans have indicated a willingness to return to the status existing the day M. Laval fell on condition that Laval returns to the Government in some capacity. Hitler has offered to proceed on the basis of the plan worked out by von Ribbentrop, Laval and Abetz; namely,

- (1) The reduction of the daily charge for the army of occupation from 400,000,000 to 196,000,000 francs.
- (2) The liberation of 500,000 former prisoners.
- (3) Relaxation of the inter-zone boundary control.
- (4) The exchange of food and raw materials.
- (5) The return to France of the department of Nord pas De-calais.
- (6) Readjustment of the Alsace-Lorraine frontier.
- (7) Start negotiations for permanent peace.
- (8) Hitler to recognise the integrity of the French Empire except the former German colonies which involve Spain and Italy and waiving territorial claims against the French African possessions.

The German reply does not state that M. Laval should return to the Foreign Ministry or the Vice-Premiership but leaves the details for negotiation.

However, it is known that M. Laval has hitherto refused to collaborate with Admiral Darlan and has maintained his demand to assume the Premiership with direction in foreign and home affairs, and the title as chief of the Government which is now held by Marshal Petain, as well as the right to name his own Cabinet. There is no indication when negotiations will begin.

HITLER HAS A BIRTHDAY

Rome's Left-Handed Compliment

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Hitler spent his birthday (52nd) to-day at his headquarters, presumably somewhere in south-eastern Europe.

After celebrations in the morning, he "resumed his work at 1 p.m.," according to the German wireless.

Field Marshal Walter von Brauchitsch, C-in-C of the German Army, in a Hitler birthday Order of the Day to the troops, declared: "Trusting in the Fuehrer and confident of victory, we shall beat the last enemy."

This order was read over the German radio.

Admiral Raeder, C-in-C of the Nazi Navy, also issued an order expressing himself confident of victory in the "final struggle against a powerful enemy."

Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history, but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr. Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London by way of the United States.

Dr. Quo Tai-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain.

After conferring with Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Dr. Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.

Hongkong News of the Week

A Page For The Evacuees

Monday

April 14

Wedding. Two former members of the Kailan Mining Administration staff were quietly married at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, early on Easter Monday morning by the Rev. J. Ward, Army Chaplain. They are Mr. Robert Clift, late engineer of the Kailan, and Miss Christine Mary Doherty, who recently joined the nursing staff of the Kowloon Hospital after service in the medical department of the K.M.A. North China.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of the late Mr. Robert W. Clift, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Doherty, of the Kailan. They were married in the Kailan Mining Administration, he was employed by Messrs. Simon Carls, Ltd., as Resident Engineer in Karabuk, Turkey.

In Pale Gold

The bride arrived at the Church on the arm of Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, General Manager of the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd., by whom she was given away. She wore a gown of French duchess satin in pale gold, fashioned after a Worth model, and had a row of tiny self buttons down the back from neck to waistline, matching the wrist to elbow fasteners of the tight fitting sleeves. The bride's hair was styled in the same material as the gown, trimmed with a

full, elbow-length veil of white cut tulle was also worn. A large and wide of-the-valley composed the bouquet.

Mrs. R. A. Rodgers was matron-of-honour, and Mrs. Nan McLellan, who wore a frock of dusty pink-crepe with navy accessories, and a corsage of African daisies, was the bridesmaid. Mr. Robert Clift, who is on the Financial Adviser's staff of the China Command, undertook the duties of best man.

The Rev. Fr. A. Rignati was at the organ. The reception was held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel. Afterwards Mrs. Rodgers changed into a dress of black chiffon velvet on allured lines, with which she wore white accessories. The damage caused to the European Officers' Mess by the fire of the Central Police Station when the building was struck by lightning on Sunday morning, was found to be much more extensive than at first estimated.

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Dull Tennis Match. Postponed on two previous occasions, the doubles match between Paul Kong and Fung Yee-pui and W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, in the Tennis Championships, was played on Tuesday. The latter pair won in straight sets, 6-1; 6-4.

The match was the dulllest seen for some time, despite the fact that the players were in good form. The players were guilty of innumerable mistakes, and, except on two occasions, no point was won with more than a single shot. The match was without much opposition but the Chinese Recreation Club pair improved considerably in the second set to take the lead at 4-1. That, however, was as far as they got, as Hung and Fincher reeled off five games in a row to win the set and match.

Results. Open Doubles: W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong and Fung Yee-pui 6-1; 6-4. Club Championships: Singles: R. E. Guest beat M. M. M. 11-5; 6-3. Guest beat M. M. M. 11-5; 6-3. Club Handicap Singles: semi-final: J. Gould beat J. Sterling 6-2; 6-3. Club Handicap Doubles: R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight beat E. R. Child and S. H. S. 11-5; 6-3.

Mr. Elliott's Funeral. The funeral of the late Mr. Terence Charles Elliott, age 33, assistant engineer of the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Ltd., who died at the Memorial Nursing Home on Saturday, was held at the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, on Tuesday.

The Right Rev. B. O. Hall, Bishop of Hongkong, officiated at the graveside service, and among those present were Mr. H. E. Stone, General Manager of the Gas Company, Mr. F. Goodwin, Resident Manager, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Simmons, Miss E. S. Atkins, Mr. G. F. E. Thompson, Mr. H. W. G. McLaren, Mr. Wright, Mr. F. Tyndall, Dr. E. W. Kirk, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Mr. P. Symons, Mr. A. Butfield, Mr. D. M. Macdonald, Mr. T. J. Hensley, Representatives of the T. C. Club, Hongkong, and the Chinese Staff of the Gas Company.

Miss Dorothy Crofton. The death occurred last Thursday in Sydney, Australia, of Mrs. Dorothy Hilda Crofton, wife of Mr. Christopher Crofton, Station Superintendent of the China Light and Power Co. Ltd., who was notified by cable.

The late Mrs. Crofton, who had a wide circle of friends in Kowloon, was evacuated to Australia with her only daughter, Pamela. She lived in addition to her husband and daughter, a son who was employed in the Government.

City Building Planned. Although the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., has not yet decided upon the immediate rebuilding of Nos. 11, 13 and 13A Queen's Road Central, drawings are now being prepared to enable the work to be put in hand without delay as soon as the scheme is considered advisable. The new building, when erected, will be one of the most imposing of many modern buildings recently constructed in the Colony.

It is understood that Messrs. Leigh and Orange have been entrusted with the work, and the structure will replace St. Francis Hotel and the block up to the corner of Ice House Street. This building will be joined to the back of Windsor House, forming one large "U" shaped block.

The present idea is to lay out the ground floor in either a series of three bank premises or one large bank at the corner with a smaller one to the west. Upwards from the first to the sixth floors, office accommodation will be provided, and great planning care is being exercised in the direction of light and ventilation.

It is understood that the general principles of Windsor House will be continued as regards construction.

1925, but in the following year he came back to Hongkong to take charge of the Secretariat Department of the Company until 1937, when he went home to live in England.

During his stay in Hongkong, Bentley took a great interest in Masonic activities and had held high office in practically all the Lodges. He was a member of the "Wellington" Lodge, which was quickly extinguished.

The roof has been temporarily shored up and men are already at work taking down the ceiling beams and the new wiring. It is expected that the repairs will take some time to complete.

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Black-out Is Wash-out. "Last night's Championship to-day when they beat short black-out cannot be considered a success," said Wing-Comdr. A. H. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions. "The report of aerial net, the standard of play was pathetic, observers was that Hongkong from to say the least, and the Tauls looked 8,000 feet appeared a mass of lights," as if they still had something in their reports from land observation, resented that the black-out was fairly successful, but the danger of relying on first set within 10 minutes of the start such observations was fully borne out by the reports of observers who flew over the Colony by plane.

Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins made a tour from Shaikwan to West Point brothers to lead 4-1. There was never during the exercise. At Causeway any doubt as to the outcome of the first Day, lights were showing from number of the Colony, and the Tauls emerged winners at a tremendous number of lights, he said. Taul Yan-pui opened the second set presented a very great danger in time with a love game and Hung dropped of war. The squatters' camps at Tai-his first for the brothers to lead 2-0. Hung and Blue Pool Road were very Finch was very weak in his jolting, gown of ice blue satin, of modernistic French design, with shoes of the same material, and a veil to match, when she became the bride of Mr. Reginald Wilson Owens at St John's Cathedral

Though the Central and Western districts had improved somewhat on drives scored repeatedly, but he de-previous black-outs, there were still too terrified as the set progressed and many lights showing. However, he finished up very weakly, his length added it a qualification to see the extent of their opponents' score (4-3) of the public to refrain from doing so, but the finishing touch to the set and match when he volleyed a ball out at sunset and ended at 10 p.m. No air raid, sirens were sounded and traffic continued on land and water without interference.

Disappointing Tennis. Taul Yan-pui but Taul-pui threw away several points and Taul Yan-pui, former holders, by mistiming his smashes.

Friday

April 18

Death of Miss Russell. Miss Margaret June Russell died at 3 a.m. today at her residence "The Hermitage," 44, Kennedy Road after a long illness.

Though she had not enjoyed good health since 1935 Miss Russell had kept cheerful and had continued to carry on her business, church and social activities. About two months ago she took a turn for the worse.

A native of Shanghai, Miss Russell was born in 1880 and had lived for 50 years in Hongkong. She was known to many societies in the Colony for her generous contributions to charities and the Benevolent Society being a particular beneficiary.

A regular attender at the First Church of the Holy Spirit, Miss Russell was one of the pioneer members of the church, if not the oldest to be connected with the Green Island Cement Company. Mrs. Russell died here in 1901 and the daughter will be buried in her grave.

Miss Russell had a nephew in America who is the only relative apart from Miss Mary Clark, cousin, who had been long assisted her in the management of her households.

Miss Russell was the first tenant of a house and land on Shouson Hill, Garden Terrace, at a cost of her \$10,000. She had leased on part of that property and on "Southcliffe," "The quarters and a pavilion. Accommodation at the beginning will be limited to 20 patients.

St. George's Society. An appeal to all residents in the Colony who are members of St. George's Society to send stamps to the Acting President, who took the Chair at the annual meeting of the Society, which was held today in the Club, on the election of new officers. Mr. F. C. Hall was appointed President.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. C. A. Anbaster, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Col H. B. Hancock, (Past President), Messrs. F. C. Hall, P. S. Cassidy, J. D. Danby, G. Miskin, V. C. Labrum (Committee), Mr. S. T. Bullin (Secretary), Mr. H. K. Cobb, G. B. Labrum, L. J. Davies and Chief Inspector W. R. Chester Woods (members).

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Saturday

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Miss Fisher Weds. In place of the traditional all-white wedding ensemble, Miss Allison Jeanette Fisher wore a gown of ice blue satin, of modernistic French design, with shoes of the same material, and a veil to match, when she became the bride of Mr. Reginald Wilson Owens at St John's Cathedral

Quips By "Argus"

With Acknowledgments

The Married Quarters at the Central Police Station were struck by lightning. The theory is that an atmospheric depression travelled up from Melbourne or Singapore or somewhere.

The tunnel blasting has become a nightly lullaby in some districts. It's all good practice for the nerves. It also suggests that we might get our money back by contriving some 'staccato' and making some showy caves to entertain the tourists.

Three generals have got themselves captured in Libya. And are their tabs regl.

And maybe if they crossed hens with geese we could have Easter eggs ready wrapped with gold paper.

The Black-out was good in spots. The public needs an infra-red spectacles and what the authorities need is a device for spraying tar from aeroplanes.

They've a special branch of the Police in Singapore to deal with corruption. And that's enough to make the sea grin.

Hongkong evacuees will participate in the Australian child downcast scheme. It's a great country Australia: down there you get something for other people's money.

As I understand it, the Russo-Japanese pact is a happy omen of disaster, because it prevents the Democracies from discouraging a split in the Axis when the southward move goes west.

There's reassuring news from the Finance Committee front. It is believed that Government House is healing up.

The earth shook at Chengtu. Reminds me that the Hemingways are up that way.

to-day. She carried a bouquet of blue forget-me-nots.

The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of Hongkong, officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

The bride, who is the daughter of the late Captain Fisher and Mrs. T. Fisher, formerly of Sydney, Australia, and now of Hongkong, is a popular member of the Colony's younger social set, and has been much in demand as a singer at charity dances. She was educated at the Central British School.

The bridegroom is the son of Captain S. B. Owens of the U.S. Army (retired), and Mrs. Owens of Elizabeth Town, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He is the representative for Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co., in South China.

Mr. D. D. Forbes, manager of Messrs. Andersen, Meyer & Co., gave the bride away, and Mr. Jack Dwyer acted as best man.

In keeping with the colour scheme, the two bridesmaids, the Misses Eileen Bliss and Virginia Beaumont, wore frocks of powder blue silk lined with large blue picture hats. They carried bouquets of pale pink roses in blue. The bride's mother was also in blue, her gown being of French material, and her accessories to match.

The reception was held at the American Club, where the many friends of the bride and groom gathered to extend their congratulations.

When the happy couple left for Repulse Bay, where the honeymoon is to be spent, Mrs. Owens wore a light mounted coloured morocain frock with a summer felt hat and accessories to match.

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A MORAL DEFEAT

DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventuality is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

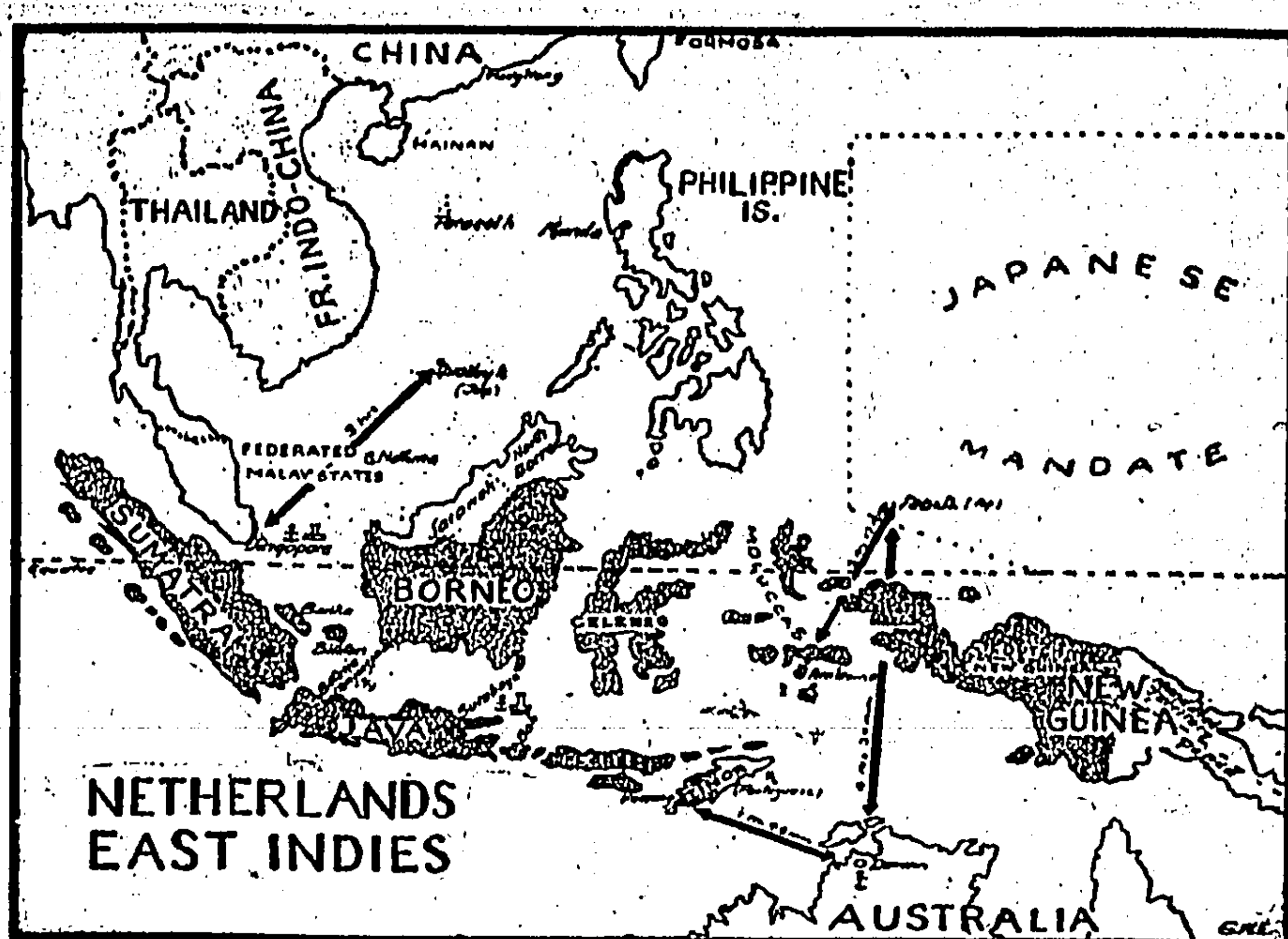
London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He has a war which he tried to avoid. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece, said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Cirenalca and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help.

The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfil orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

"Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country—they simply walked in.

Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war."

The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned match for the Japanese in equal sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big increases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Fly- ing-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boat bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, and will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting a native Militia if sufficient instructors and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Amboyna are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned match for the Japanese in equal sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

Plans are based on the unlikely assumption that the Indies will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Fly- ing-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

Dutch and British

JAPANESE emphasis on the Status quo has probably been the main factor in preventing any formal Anglo-Dutch alliance in the Far East with arrangements for the joint defence of the Indies and British Malaya, but it is difficult to find anyone in the N.I. to-day who does not think that Britain and the Netherlands would stand together in the event of a challenge to either in the Far East. Although there may be no staff conversations on the spot, it cannot be overlooked that Dutch naval and military officers are in close touch with the British defence ministries in London.

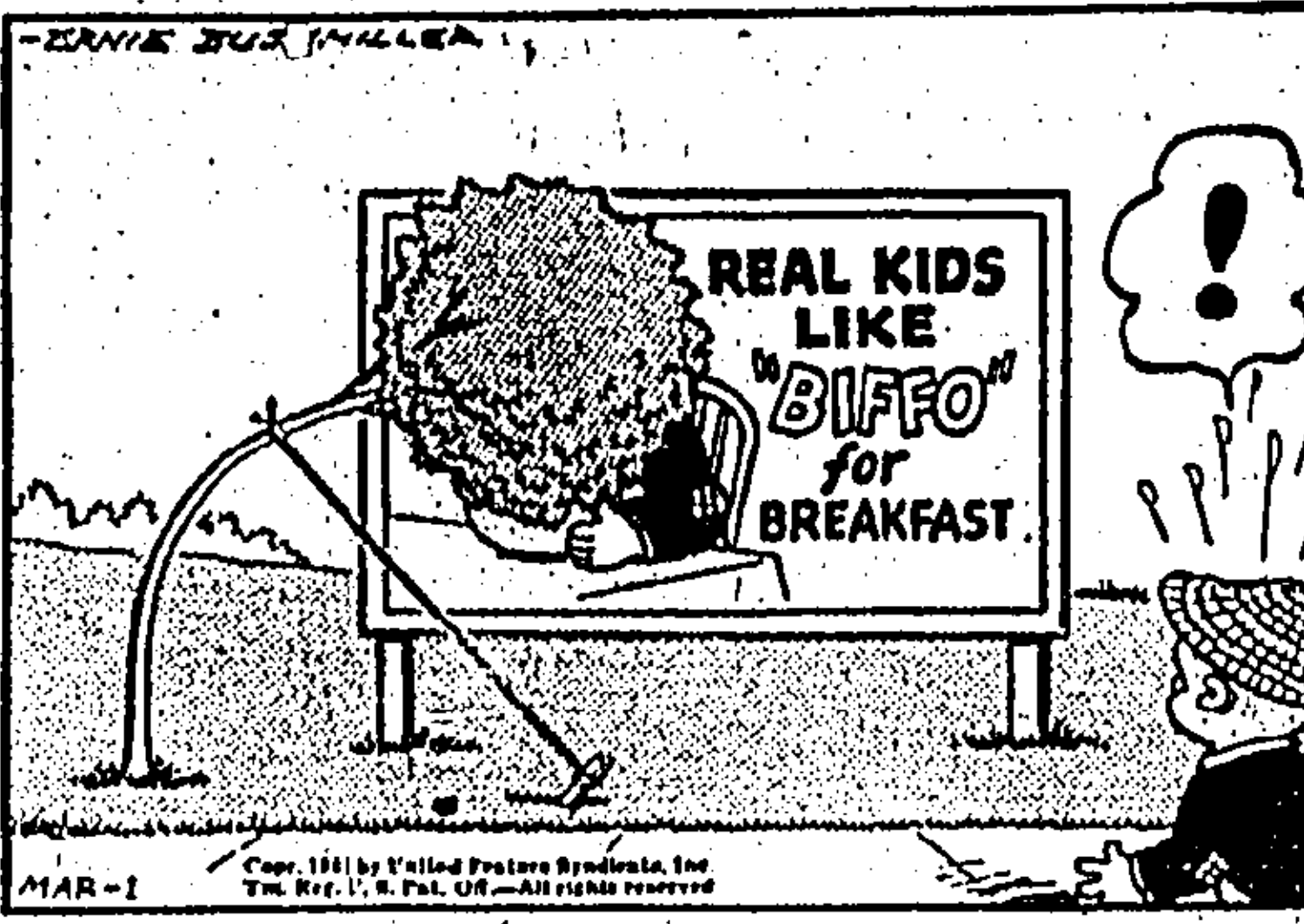
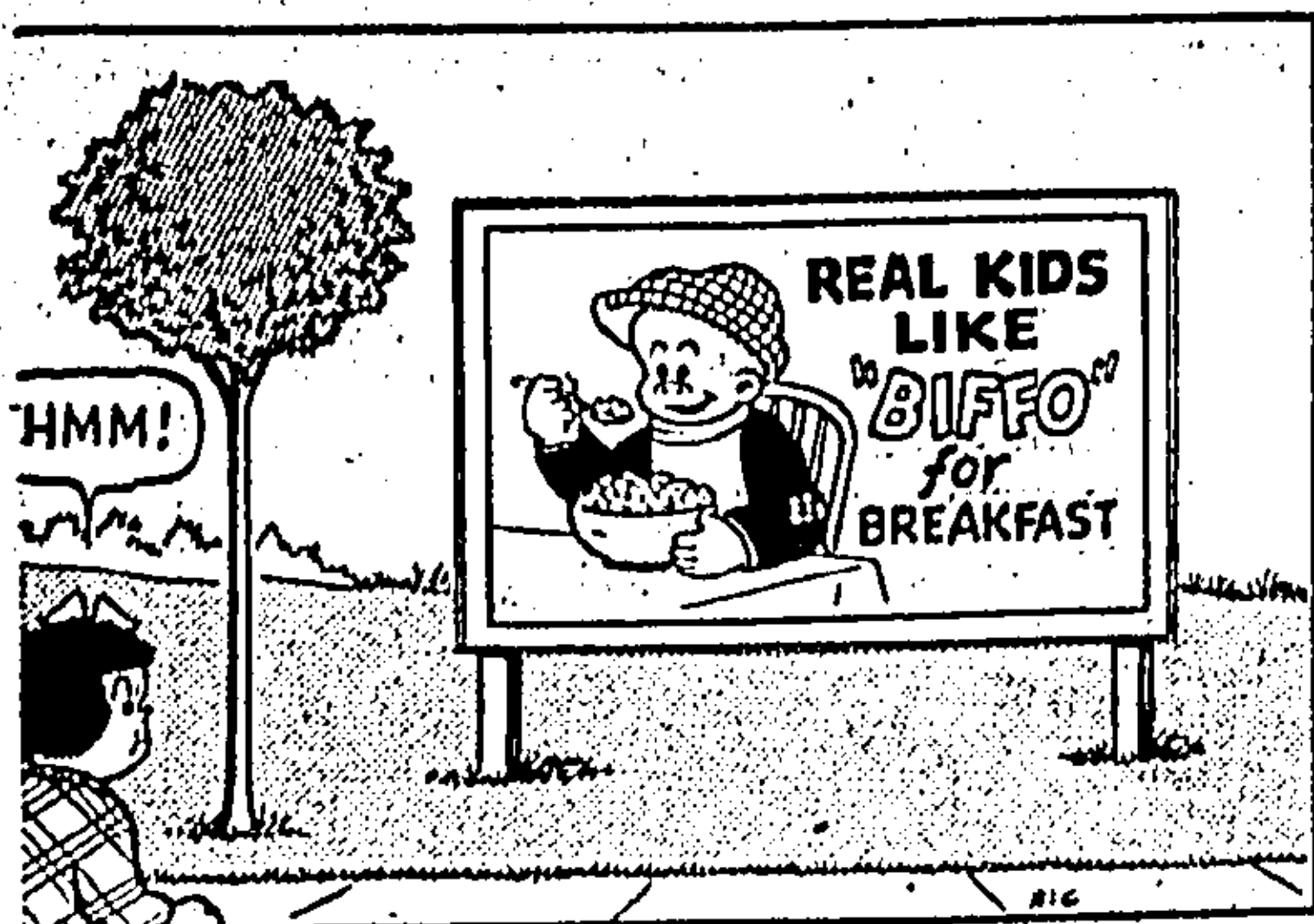
British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaysia, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, and will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Oh, that's the landlord—we gave this party to break our lease and now he won't hear of it!"

NANCY

Greek King
To Lead
His People

Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being.

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence."

High Duty

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country."

"May we go and save Greece."

Be Generous
In BattlePope Appeals To The
Belligerents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to impede the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the best and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

Roosevelt Back
Plea For 1,000

U. S. Doctors

HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here.

The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

Hearty Approval

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

"Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva."

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

Three Fleets For U.S. Navy
Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganization of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief. Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising a 11 these forces.

Prior to the reorganization order, America's fighting forces afloat consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganization not only gives the Atlantic Force a full fleet status, but provides greater flexibility in organization to all these forces.

Bulk Of Strength

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

Kimmel's Service

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War and the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Ynd at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

Admiral King

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-51 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of flying units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Oficial, Order of the Crown of Italy.

Far Eastern Chief

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

Goldilocks
Goes Back
To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heidrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

Proved He Wasn't

So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters.

When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

Officers In Huddle

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson," said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another.

They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

Bible Printers Suffer
Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorized Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 3,555,480 letters, involving 773,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,180 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorized Version," said a director. "The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses."

"We are hoping we shall find some of the plates undamaged. Water will not injure them, but they may have been melted by fire. If they are gone we shall have to reset every word. The printing of the Bible will go on."

"Many printed sheets have been destroyed but fortunately only a short time before the fire we removed a large number to the country."

Eyre and Spottiswoode also print documents for the House of Commons and the House of Lords. Special arrangements are being made to continue this work.

RADIO

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"Hi, Gang!" and Other London Relays

Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c.s per second.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 A Dubussy Programme. The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr Gradus ad Parnassum; (b) The Snow is Dancing; (c) Serenade for the Doll; (d) Jumbo's Lullaby; (e) The Little Shepherd; (f) Goliath's Cake Walk; (g) Goliath's Lullaby; (h) La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin; (i) Menuhin (Violin); (j) Danse Sacree; (k) Danse Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Coriol, Thibaud and Casals.

8.0 Local Time Signal.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Piano Duets by Moreton and Kaye.

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I'll Remember; A Man and his Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere.

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—"The News."

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.20 A Light Orchestral Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).

International Railroad Express, Polka Frieda, Jakob Serebroff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Because I Miss You so, (Clanville & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Serenade (Hensell), Frederic Hippmann and his Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thine of Mary (Ashby & T. C. Stenale Bennett), Always As I Close My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11.0 Close Down.

The ninth anniversary dinner of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden on Thursday, May 8.

BULGARS GUARD
GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugo-Slavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrade southward to Edgach on the Aegean Sea. In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier in the northwest, the advance will be to the River Moravia. The Germans emphasize that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

Exchange At
A Glance

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T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/4
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. France	—
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/4
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2
BUYING	
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4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/2
4 m/s France	—
30 d/s India	24 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.01 1/4

BELGIAN ENVOY
IN CHUNGKING
Warmly Welcomed

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Central News).—Baron Jules Guillaume, Belgian Ambassador to China, who recently arrived in Chungking, was yesterday the guest of honour at a tea reception given jointly by the Sino-Belgian Boxer Indemnity Fund Commission, the Sino-French-Belgian-Swiss Cultural Association and the French-Belgian Swiss Returned Students Association.

More than 100 persons were present. Mr Yeh Nan, Secretary-General of the Sino-French-Belgian-Swiss Cultural Association, delivered a speech of welcome in French in which he paid tribute to the Belgian Envoy's efforts at fostering Sino-Belgian friendly relations, and called him "a friend of China."

In his reply Baron Guillaume expressed heart-felt thanks for the hospitality. He declared that though Belgium is now under German occupation, she still possesses the Congo Colony, and the Belgians' will of resistance remains firm. According to him, the Belgian Government now in England is making preparations for a counter-offensive and the entire Belgian Air Force has been transferred to England where it is fighting side by side with the R.A.F.

Morro Castle
Disaster

Echo In Court Case

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York has ruled that the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company cannot recover from the Continental Insurance Company of New York \$1,100,000 damages paid by the line to victims' relatives and survivors of the burning of the Morro Castle on Sept. 8, 1934.

Reversing a lower court decision, which had granted the line \$900,000, the higher court held unanimously that the line had violated safety statutes and the terms of its insurance policy in the disaster which cost 123 lives off the New Jersey coast. The ruling charged that the line had failed to provide men and equipment for fighting the fire and abandoning ship.

A.R.P. Pay To
Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,760,401.33 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

Peak Division	\$ 300
G. T. A. (in memory of Terry Ellacott)	10
Lombard Evening (eleventh donation)	10
P. S. S. Chicken Feed (weekly donation)	40.50
Mr & Mrs H. T. Buxton (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	10
Miss M. Matheson (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	5
Mr M. G. Carruthers (monthly donation)	15

RELIEF OF DISTRESS
The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation acknowledges the following subscriptions to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China:

Previously acknowledged	\$730,334.13
Police Headquarters (being half net proceeds of Hongkong Police & Police Reserve Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on February 14, 1941)	1,850.00
The Sports Club	500.00
	\$732,684.13

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

Buyers	
Bank of East Asia	\$70
Union Ins.	\$425
Indo-Chinas (Pref)	\$80
Wharves	\$65.50
Humphreys	\$6.80
Trams	\$16
Lights "O"	\$6
Lights Rls 50 cts	\$6
Entertainments	\$0.25
Sellers	
H.K. Banks	\$1,345
Union Ins.	\$430
Trams	\$16.25
Lights "O"	\$6.20
Sales	
Hotels	\$2.00

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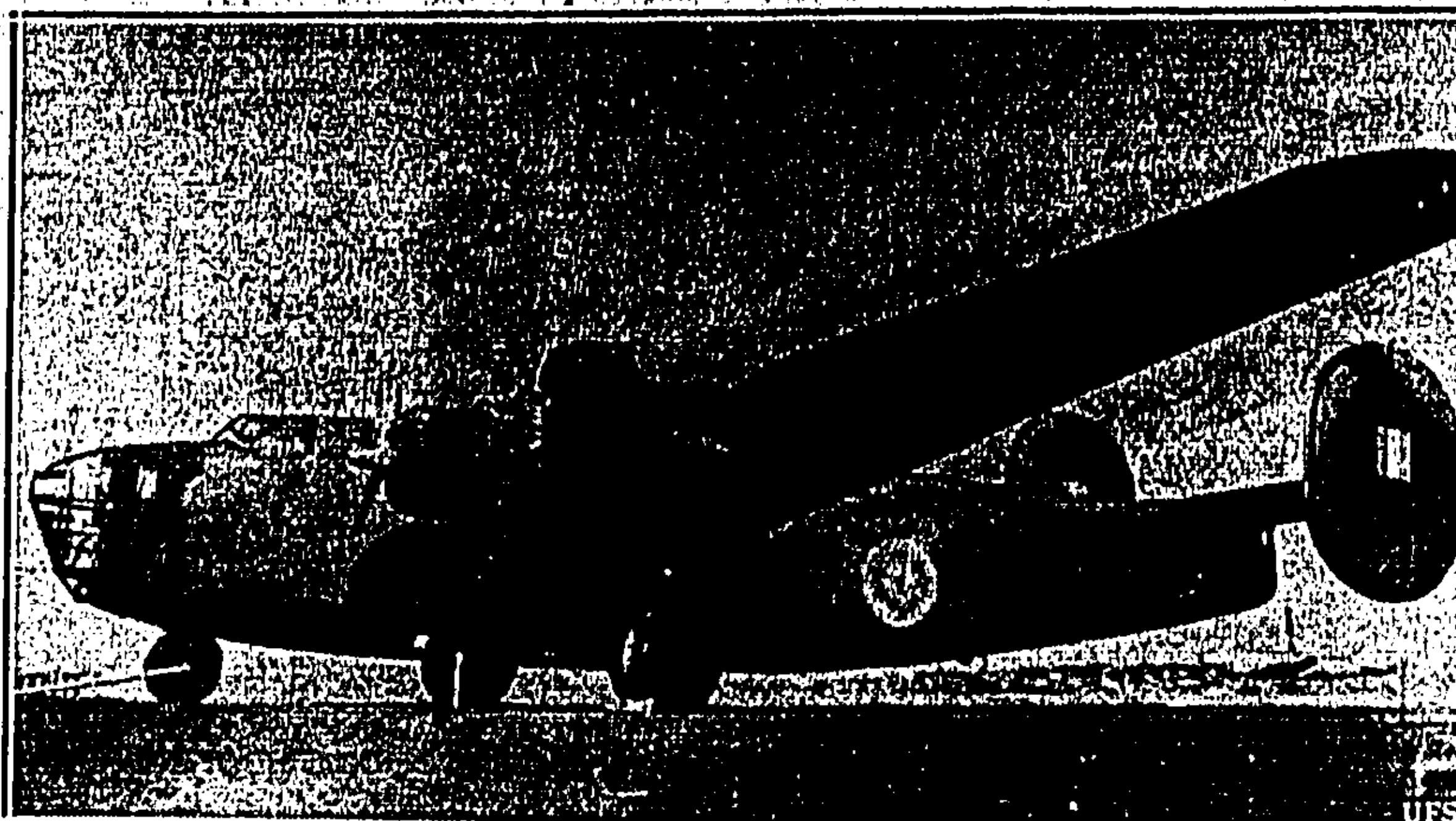
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READY TO HOP—Picture shows the long-range, 20-ton Consolidated bomber many of which were recently flown over the Atlantic for the Royal Air Force.

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

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continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won.

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers.

"The amazing thing is that the teeling our convoys and hunting German pirates."

Off Libyan Coast

Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "I see that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely in honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

No Apology

"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it.

Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win." Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr. Alexander said.

Conservative Estimates

"He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundred U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are nearly always on the conservative side."

Speaking of the ten Coast Guard cutters America had sent to Britain, the First Lord said: "Believe me, they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in pro-

Princess Focussed Bomb Sights

Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft of the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focussed the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time. At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

LATE NEWS

Spanish Cabinet Convened

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MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Senor Suner made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the important diplomatic happenings of the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalangist newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions.

"Arguments alien to the only foreign policy to which our destiny ties us cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

MALTA RAID

Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junkers was shot down into the sea.

From all operations, one of our fighters is missing.

Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning.

Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

Communal Rioting In India Costs Lives

AHMEDABAD, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—One person was killed and four were wounded when the police opened fire for the second time on a rioting mob to-day.

More than 400 persons have been taken into custody. The latest casualties in communal rioting which broke out on Friday are 50 killed and 304 wounded.

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SHAOSHING CAPTURED

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resistance to the Japanese landing at various points along the east Chekiang coast, and others pushing southward from Shao-shan and other points on the south bank of the Chientang River.

More than 20 Japanese warships arrived off the coast at Chinghai on the morning of 19. At 1 p.m. Japanese from the warships landed at points east and west of Chinghai under a naval barrage, and headed for Chinghai. After meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance, the Japanese landed reinforcements and pushed up along the south bank of the Yung River.

Japanese landing at Haimen, important seaport at Lingkiang Harbour, on the same morning took possession of the town and immediately pushed westward to Hwangyung which also fell into their hands toward evening. The Chinese are attempting to check their advance in the neighbourhood of Hwangyung.

Shaoshing Falls

Shao-shing, famous wine-producing town on the south bank of Hangchow Bay, about 35 miles southeast of Hangchow, is admitted to have fallen on April 17. Japanese troops who entered the town began to push southwestward. They have passed through Liukungfow and Fengkiao and are meeting with resistance at Siatienwan.

Japanese troops pushing southward from Shao-shan, on the south bank of the Chientang River, opposite Hangchow, have been meeting with resistance at Yikiao, Linpu, Yankungfow and other points along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway.

Japanese troops who crossed the Fuchun River and penetrated into Tayan on the south bank of the river continue to push southward. They are intercepted by the Chinese at Yintienkai, northwest of Chuk.

Magyars Release Croats

BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of Yugo-Slav war prisoners of Croat nationality, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

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